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Rightist clash leaves 11 dead in north Lebanon

BEIRUT, April 22 (Agencies) — Eleven persons were reported killed in northern Lebanon early Sunday, apparently as a result of feuding between two right-wing parties.

The Phalangist Party radio said gunmen belonging to a rival militia led by former President Suleiman Franjieh entered a house in the village of Shmout, north of the coastal town of Byblos, during a private party and killed seven people.

The gunmen also kidnapped seven people and four of them were found dead later by the roadside in a nearby village.

The radio said high-level contacts were being made to secure the release of the remaining hostages.

Franjieh left the "Lebanese Front" of the main right-wing parties last year over policy differences. Later, his son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter together with about 30 other persons were killed in a raid on the family residence in Elbien, north Lebanon. Phalangists were accused of having mounted the raid.

In Beirut, explosions were heard during the night and Sunday morning. Official sources said the blasts were in the southern suburb of the capital, traditional combat zone in fighting between Syrian troops of the peacekeeping Arab Deterrent Forces (ADF) and right-wing militiamen.

Government-controlled Beirut Radio said crossing between the eastern and western sectors of Beirut across the "green line" at the Museum district was suspended Sunday morning after sniping in the area.

Beirut Radio said later that clashes in the southern suburb had stopped and sniper fire was diminishing. But it added that crossing at the Museum sector was still hazardous.

U.N. threat

In a separate development, it was disclosed Saturday that U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim had threatened Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin with a Security Council meeting in efforts to get Begin's help in overcoming the resistance of Lebanese militiamen to the return of Lebanese regulars to southern Lebanon.

About 500 Lebanese troops finally moved into that U.N.-patrolled area Wednesday at the United Nations' urging and with Israel's agreement, but the Israeli-aligned militiamen showed their displeasure by shelling the Naqoura headquarters of the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon, which finally stopped after Israeli officers intervened.

In a letter to Begin released only Saturday bnt sent last Sunday, Waldheim wrote that Maj. Saad Haddad, the militia commander, was opposing the move of Lebanese army troops to the south "with threats of violence" to the army and the U.N. force and that his position was "apparently supported by the Israeli government".

Waldheim said that in these circumstances of "violent defiance of the decisions of the Security Council, I have no alternative but to refer the situation to the Security Council as a matter of urgency."

Waldheim wrote that before going to the Council, he was appealing to Begin to reconsider Israel's "completely negative reaction" to the proposed Lebanese troop movement as expressed by Defense Minister Ezer Weizman.

He argued that Israel's cooperation with the U.N. force "at this vital juncture is also in Israel's own long-term interest and would pose no threat to Israel's security."

Begin's reply was that though Israel exercised influence, it was in no position to give orders to Haddad and so there was "no basis for the assumption that Israel is to be held responsible for the decisions or actions taken by the militias or their leaders."

Haddad declared a republic of "Free Lebanon" Wednesday in the six-mile strip along the border with Israel from which his men bar the U.N. force.

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MOROCCAN VISITOR: King Khaled bin Abdul Aziz receives Prince Abdullah, brother of King Hassan of Morocco. (SPA photo)

Khaled receives Arab officials

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — King Khaled Sunday held a series of meetings with visiting Arab officials.

The monarch received Moroccan Foreign Minister Muhammad Benchaia. The meeting was attended by Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah, Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan, and Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal.

At another meeting, King Khaled received

Prince Abdullah, brother of King Hassan of Morocco. The audience was attended by the second deputy premier and Dr. Rashad Pharaon, the King's advisor.

Later in the day, the King received Kuwaiti Minister of Commerce and Industry, Abdul Wahab Nafisi at a meeting attended by Dr. Pharaon and Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi. (Related stories on page 2)

Yazdi increases influence

Fighting continues in Iran city

TEHRAN, April 22 (AP) — Iranian military forces were poised around the embattled northwestern town of Naghadeh Sunday as fighting between unidentified rival groups entered its third straight day.

Iranian Minister of State Ahmad Sadri Haj Seyed-Javadi, in a stern warning broadcast over state radio, said provisional government troops would enter the town to restore peace unless factional violence ended by 4:00 p.m. local time Sunday.

The provisional government of Iran, he said, "can not remain indifferent towards the situation in Naghadeh."

Deputy Prime Minister Abbas Amir Entezam, meanwhile, said units of the Iranian national army have moved to the vicinity of the town and will move in if fighting does not cease by the announced deadline.

Naghadeh is located in west

Azerbaijan province, about 25 kilometers northwest of Mahabad, a major Kurdish city. Fighting erupted Friday after unidentified gunmen opened fire on a political rally of the Kurdish Democratic Front Party, killing a reported 25 persons and many others.

Subsequent fighting in the town was reportedly so fierce that a government negotiating team sent to mediate the dispute has so far found its mission impossible. Roads leading to Naghadeh are blocked by revolutionary guardsmen and all commerce in the town is reportedly at a halt.

Meanwhile, in a significant political development in the capital Sunday, Dr. Ibrahim Yazdi, a controversial former aide of religious leader Ayatollah Khomeini, has apparently become the effective head of the Foreign Ministry.

Yazdi and Sadegh Ghotbzadeh were Ayatollah Khomeini's leading aides in exile and often spoke to the world press on his behalf in Paris before the revolution.

When the ayatollah returned to Iran, Yazdi was named deputy premier for revolutionary affairs while Ghotbzadeh was given the influential job of chief of the state radio and television.

Both have been controversial figures ever since and are widely believed to sit on the secret Revolutionary Council, assumed to be headed by Khomeini, which effectively rules Iran.

The appointment of Yazdi as foreign minister appeared aimed at emphasizing Khomeini's leadership despite the protests last week by both Sanjabi and Ayatollah.

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Pakistan train crash kills 44, injures 37

KARACHI, Pakistan April 22 (AP) — Forty-four persons were killed and 37 injured, most of them seriously, when a railway engine rammed into a stationary passenger train Saturday night near Jungshahi railway station, about 50 miles northeast of Karachi, according to Radio Pakistan quoting official sources.

Twenty-five dead were brought to Karachi Sunday, and another 19 were to arrive later, railway officials said.

Giving an account of the accident, the railway officials briefed reporters at Karachi railway station Sunday and said that due to a fire in the dining room, the Karachi-bound passenger train was standing on the track between the two railway stations. Later a railway engine, also Karachi-bound, rammed into the standing train from the rear, hitting the last car of the train.

Railway officials said it was the biggest railway accident with the highest casualties in recent years.

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As Cairo urges PLO-U.S. contacts

Kuwait to sever relations with Egypt

KUWAIT, April 22 (Agencies) — The Kuwaiti cabinet Sunday decided to sever diplomatic and economic relations with Egypt for signing a peace treaty with Israel.

Minister of State Abdul-Aziz Hussein made the announcement after a cabinet meeting.

Most Arab countries have already recalled their ambassadors from Cairo and a few have cut diplomatic ties as well. Egypt has been suspended from a host of Arab organizations.

The punitive measures were agreed upon at a conference of Arab Foreign and Economy ministers in Baghdad last month.

As Kuwait announced its decision, Egypt's second-ranking diplomat was quoted in a magazine interview released Sunday as urging the United States to "get rid of its complex about dealing directly with the Palestine Liberation Organization."

Butros Ghali, the minister of state for foreign affairs and a leading negotiator in the talks that led up to the signing of a peace treaty with Israel, was interviewed in "October" magazine.

"Contacts between the PLO and the United States will help the PLO react with reason," Ghali was quoted as saying. "We hope the United States will get rid of its complex of not being able to have direct contacts with the Palestinians."

He said he also hoped the resistance movement headed by Yasser Arafat would "get rid of its complex of refusing everything all the time."

President Jimmy Carter said last month that the U.S. administration would work with the Palestinian movement if the PLO accepted a U.N. resolution calling for recognition of Israel.

The PLO, which has opposed the resolution because it only

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Retaliation expected

Four Israelis killed in commando attack

TEL AVIV, April 22 (Agencies) — Four Israelis were killed in a Palestinian commando raid on the northern Israeli town of Nahariya, an army spokesman said.

Two commandos were killed,

while two other raiders and four Israelis were injured in the pre-dawn raid launched from the sea.

In Damascus, a radical Palesti-

nian group said four of its men

were killed in the night raid on Nahariya.

The Palestine Liberation Front (PLF) said in a statement issued in Damascus that the commandos, using automatic rifles and rocket-propelled grenades, killed and wounded an unknown number of Israeli police and soldiers during a four-hour clash.

The statement, released by the Palestine News Agency Wafa, said there had been heavy fighting after the four-man unit stormed into the town at 1 a.m. local.

At one point, two of the com-

mandos forced several Israe-

lis into a boat on the seashore while

their comrades fought a rearguard

action in the town, but all four

were later killed.

The PLF is a small splinter

group belonging to the "Rejec-

tion Front" within the Palestin-

ian Liberation Organization (PLO).

PLF military commander Abul

Abbas told a news conference in

Beirut that the attack on Nahariya

was aimed at highlighting Arab

rejection of the Egyptian-Israeli

peace treaty, proving that com-

mandos could penetrate Israeli

security and seize hostages to

exchange for Palestinian prisoners

in Israeli jails.

Abdul Abbas said Nahariya had

been chosen because it was the site

of a big army base and naval col-

lege.

The action of our fighters

clearly demonstrates our will and

ability to take our struggle for our

homeland into the enemy camp,"

he said.

The Israeli army confirmed the

commandos belonged to the PLF.

Israeli defense Minister Ezer

Weizman immediately visited the

scene and postponed his three-day

visit to Cairo scheduled to start

Sunday. Egyptian President

Anwar Sadat said he understood

the reasons for the delay and

offered his condolences in a tele-

phone conversation with Prime

Minister Menahem Begin, an offi-

cial announcement said.

The Israeli cabinet condemned

the attack, and Interior Minister

Yosef Burg hinted in an appa-

rently to settle political disputes

among the UAE leaders.

The official Emirates News

Agency WAM gave no details of

Sunday's meeting, which was also

attended by the UAE Foreign

Minister Ahmad Khalifa al-

Sweidi.

The Kuwaiti, Sheikh Sabah

Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah arrived

Saturday on his second mediation

trip since April 4 and delivered to

Sheikh Zayed a letter from

Kuwaiti Ruler Sheikh Jaber

Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah.

Political sources said in Bahrain

Saturday the letter may have

proposed a meeting between

Sheikh Zayed and the UAE Vice

President Sheikh Rashid bin

Jeddah airplane kills worker in fierce sandstorm

JEDDAH, April 22 — All 84 passengers and six crew members of a Tunisian plane escaped unhurt when their plane crashed into equipment apparently trying to take off from a closed runway Sunday evening. But a laborer was killed, the Saudi Press Agency reported.

The Civil Aviation Department said here Sunday that because of the sandstorms that has hit Jeddah in the last two days visibility has been reduced to 500 meters.

The pilot brought the plane to a stop after it lost a tire. Rubber chains were used to help passengers escape.

Heat wave and a violent sandstorm which swept through Jeddah Saturday continued Sunday, the storm more fierce.

Winds blew at 42 knots, and visibility was occasionally reduced to only 100 meters. The maximum temperature was 40 degrees.

Jeddah airport was closed for a short while. The storm is expected to continue Monday, with winds of the same velocity.

Several apparently spontaneous fires that started during the storm were aggravated by the wind. According to "Al-Bilad," a woman was killed by a fire in her house.

With commerce minister

Kuwaiti team discusses trade exchanges

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — Minister of Commerce Dr. Soliman A. Solaim Sunday conferred with Abdul Wahhab Al-Nafisi, the visiting Kuwaiti minister of commerce and industry, and his delegation.

The meeting discussed trade exchanges between the two countries, especially with locally-made products.

It was attended by Deputy Commerce Minister Yusouf Al-Hamdan and Dr. Ahmad Al-Shennawi, director-general of the General Organization for Grain Silos and Flour Mills.

Earlier in the day, the Saudi-Kuwait Joint Commission for Industrial Coordination resumed its meetings under the chairmanship of Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi and Nafisi.

It discussed joint industrial ventures and the exchange of expertise.

The meeting opened Saturday evening at the Industrial Studies and Development Center here.

Saturday Dr. Gosaibi said that he and the Kuwaiti side had discussed the phases of implementation of joint projects and exchanged views on new joint ventures and cooperation in technical studies and the exchange of information.

They had also discussed a possible joint fund to finance economic feasibility studies of joint ventures.

The meetings are attended on the Saudi side by Ahmad Al-Tuwajeri, industry and electricity deputy minister for industry, Dr. Mansour Al-Turki, finance and national economy deputy minister for economic affairs, Mahmoud Faiz, head of the Foreign Ministry's Coordination Department, Dr. Fahd Al-Khayali, petroleum and mineral resources deputy minister for technical affairs, Hussein Sujaimi, assistant deputy

Using chemicals as well as water, firemen were able eventually to control a blaze that started in a pile of boxes and cartons belonging to Basf Press. The wind had caught the burning boxes and flung them 40 meters into the air, threatening a new apartment building and parked cars, the paper said.

There was a fire in Prince Fahd Street and another at Kilo 5, Mecca Road, in a compound storing aluminum next to a girl's school. It was quickly controlled.

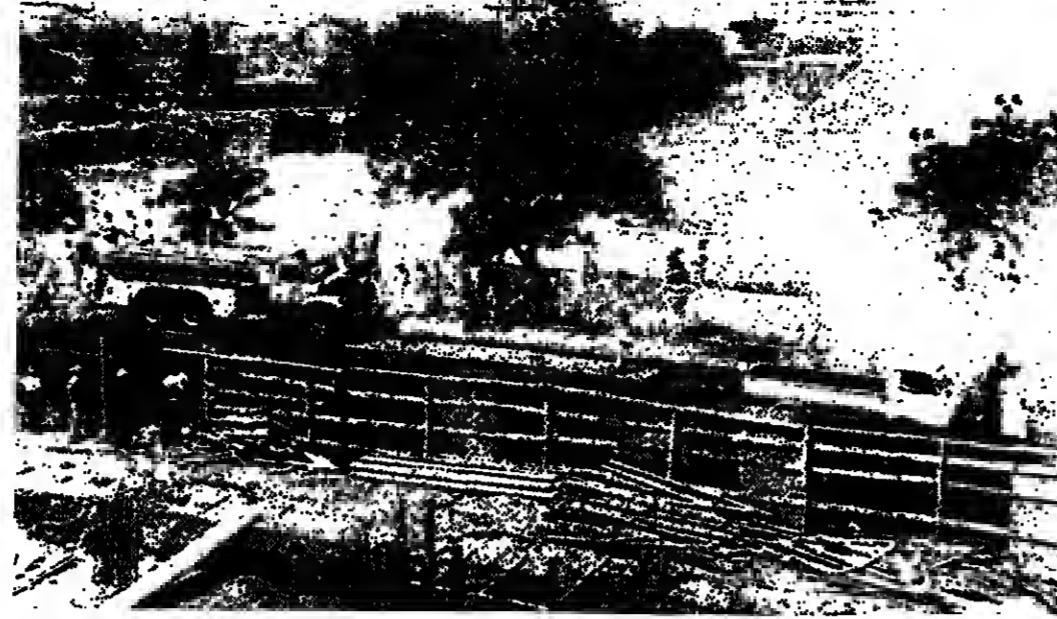
A car caught fire on the ring road and was completely gutted.

The storm caused an electric short at Bah Mecca which led to the main cable catching fire. Another fire took place in a garage dump at Kilo 7 on Mecca Road.

Behind the Shifa hospital a gas cylinder blew up inside a house. There were no casualties. An oil tank overturned on the Medina road, but firemen doused it with chemicals before fire broke out.

Another car caught fire near the American embassy, and fire broke out in a shop selling water pumps in Bah Mecca. It was put out.

"Al-Bilad" said Prince Saud ibn Abdul Mohsen, deputy governor of Mecca, asked to be kept informed of the situation.



FIRE : A fire broke out during the storm Saturday in a pile of boxes in Jeddah's Mecca Road. The storm carried the boxes up to 40 meters into the air, and the Civil Defense had to use chemicals to put the blaze. ("Al-Bilad")

Laying foundation stone

Jubail ceremony Wednesday

JUBAIL, April 22 (SPA) — The Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC) will celebrate Wednesday the laying of the foundation stone of the Jubail iron and steel complex.

The ceremony will be attended by Governor of the Eastern Province Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Jilwi and Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Al-Gosaibi, chairman of SABIC. (When completed in 1982, the SR 2 billion steel mill will be

linked to the planned Eastern Province gas gathering system, being built by Aramco. A joint venture between SABIC and Korf Stahl of West Germany, the mill will produce 850,000 tons a year of steel concrete reinforcement bars.

(Dr. Gosaibi has said that construction of the mill will start within a few weeks, but although bids have been called the construction contract had not been awarded as of Saturday.)

And a meeting will be held at the planned Jubail industrial city Monday for coordination between industrial projects connected with the projected infrastructure.

It will be attended by officials and representatives from companies carrying out industrial projects here as well as consultancy firms working with the Royal Commission for Jubail and a Yanbu.

The meeting will review the state and progress of work in various projects and future plans to develop the city.

According to "Al-Riyadh" Sunday, a meeting was held at SABIC headquarters Saturday between the corporations and the Shell Oil Company (U.S.) to discuss executive measures for the petrochemical complex here.

Dr. Gosaibi had signed a letter of intent with Shell last year during a visit to the United States.

The project is for setting up the complex as a joint venture between SABIC and Shell with Bechtel Araria as engineers.

It will produce 656,000 tons of ethylene, a year, 295,000 tons of asphene, 454,000 tons of ethylene dichloride, 281,000 tons of raw industrial ethanol and 355,000 tons of caustic soda.

On Middle East tour

High Irish official in Kingdom

By Timothy Sisley

JEDDAH, April 22 — Irish Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs David Andrews, the most senior official from Dublin yet to come to the Kingdom, called Sunday on Governor of Mecca Prince Fawaz. He had arrived Saturday night from Beirut.

Irish Ambassador Eamon O'Tuathail said Sunday that Andrews' visit is part of a trip concerned with reviewing the work of Irish embassies in the Middle East, making contact with Irish economic interests and acquainting himself with affairs in the region.

The trip was undertaken with an eye to Ireland's taking over the presidency of the European Economic Community's Council of Ministers in July for the second half of this year.

As well as Lebanon, Andrews is also to visit Bahrain and Egypt. Sunday night he flew from here to Riyadh, leaving on Tuesday for Damman. In Riyadh he is to call on Deputy Governor Prince Satam and see the planned Diplomatic Quarter, and in Damman to call on Eastern Province Governor Prince Abdul Mohsen ibn Jilwi. He leaves for Bahrain Wednesday.

Andrews is also to visit Irish businesses here, and meet members of the Irish expatriate community.

The major projects Irish firms are engaged in are the Khair and Bahri electrification schemes, where more than 60 Irish

engineers are working on consultancy contracts given the Electricity Supply Board of Ireland, a semi-state company. Other Irish interests are mainly in engineering and architectural consulting and in contracting.

There are some 60 Irish nationals working in Saudi Arabia. Last year the Kingdom exported SR250 million of oil to Ireland, taking SR180 million of Irish goods in return.

During his visit to Lebanon, Andrews held talks with President Sarkis, Prime Minister Salim Foss and Foreign Minister Fouad Barak. Ireland has 700 troops serving with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, but the recent troubles in the south prevented him from visiting them.

Andrews has held his Foreign Ministry position since the beginning of last year. Born in 1936, he is by profession a barrister and was first elected to the Dail, or parliament, in 1965. He is accompanied on this trip by two counsellors from the Foreign Ministry in Dublin, and his private secretary.

Talks with Sultan

Simonet meets Abdullah

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — Second Deputy Premier and Commander of the National Guard Prince Abdullah Sunday morning received Belgian Foreign Minister Henri Simonet.

The meeting was attended by Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Tuwajeri, assistant deputy commander of the National Guard. Abdul Aziz Al-Aley Al-Tusajeri, the Guard's secretary for financial and administrative affairs, and Gen. Ibrahim Al-Rashid, the guard's secretary for operations.

Later in the day, Simonet was received by Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan.

In the afternoon, Simonet reviewed with Minister of Public Works and Housing Prince Miteb possible Belgian participation in housing.

Also Sunday Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal conferred here with his Moroccan counterpart Muhammad Bosta on bilateral relations and issues of common interest after recent



Prince Abdullah

Butcher in Taif flogged for selling spoiled meat

TAIF, April 22 — The Supreme Sharia Court here sentenced a butcher, Saleh Al-Yamani to one month in prison and 30 lashes and three of his employees were given 20 days in prison and 20 lashes each for slaughtering and selling sick sheep. "Al-Medina" reported Sunday.

The Taif Municipality's Environment Health Department caught the butcher while bringing in 50 heads of sick goats and slaughtering 20 of them outside a slaughter-house and without a veterinary doctor's knowledge.

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Qasim farmers lent SR100m

QASIM, April 22 (SPA) — The local branch of the Agricultural Bank has given 1,707 loans worth SR102,208,376 during the first 10 months of this fiscal year, Abdullah Ibrahim Al-Owaid, branch manager, said. The next budget was estimated at SR187 million.

Worker survey under way

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — A survey of 30 cities is being carried out by the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs in cooperation with the Finance Ministry's General Department of Statistics to compile data on workers, their professions, salaries and hours of work in the private sector. It will continue until the last week of May.

Local wheat deliveries soon

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — Grain silos in Qasim and Riyadh will start receiving fresh quantities of local wheat from April 28, Dr. Ahmad Al-Shinawi, director general of Grain Silos and Flour Mills Organization, said Sunday.

Three officers decorated

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — Maj. Gen. Ali Saleh Al-Ghamdi has been awarded the King Faisal Medal, fourth class, in appreciation of his services and commendable performance of duty. According to a Royal Order, Lt. Col. Awad Hamdan Al-Otaibi and Capt. Ahmad Hafiz have also been awarded the same medal.

Saudia chief named to IATA

JEDDAH, April 22 — The 14th session of the Arab Air Transport Association (AAATA) in Libya, April 9-11, has renominated for the third year Saudia Director-General Sheikh Kamal Sindi as Middle East representative at the executive committee of the Montreal-based International Air Transport Association (IATA), "Okaz" reported Sunday.

Senegal ratifies OIC treaty

EDDAH, April 22 (SPA) — Senegalese Ambassador Shamsudin Andro submitted here Saturday the instruments of ratification of his country of the treaty on economic and technical cooperation among the member states of the Organization of Islamic Conference.

Rabegh desalination plant commissioned by SWCC

RIYADH, April 22 (SPA) — The board of the Saline Water Conversion Corporation Sunday commissioned the Rabegh desalination project.

The desalination plant is geared to produce 240,000 gallons of sweet water daily for Rabegh.

The project also calls for the construction of workshops, housing and reservoirs and the installation of pipes to carry water from the plant to the city.

The board also commissioned the construction of a canal for the Jubail desalination plants, and houses and offices for the corporation in the capital.

It met under Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh, the minister of agriculture and water and chairman of the board.

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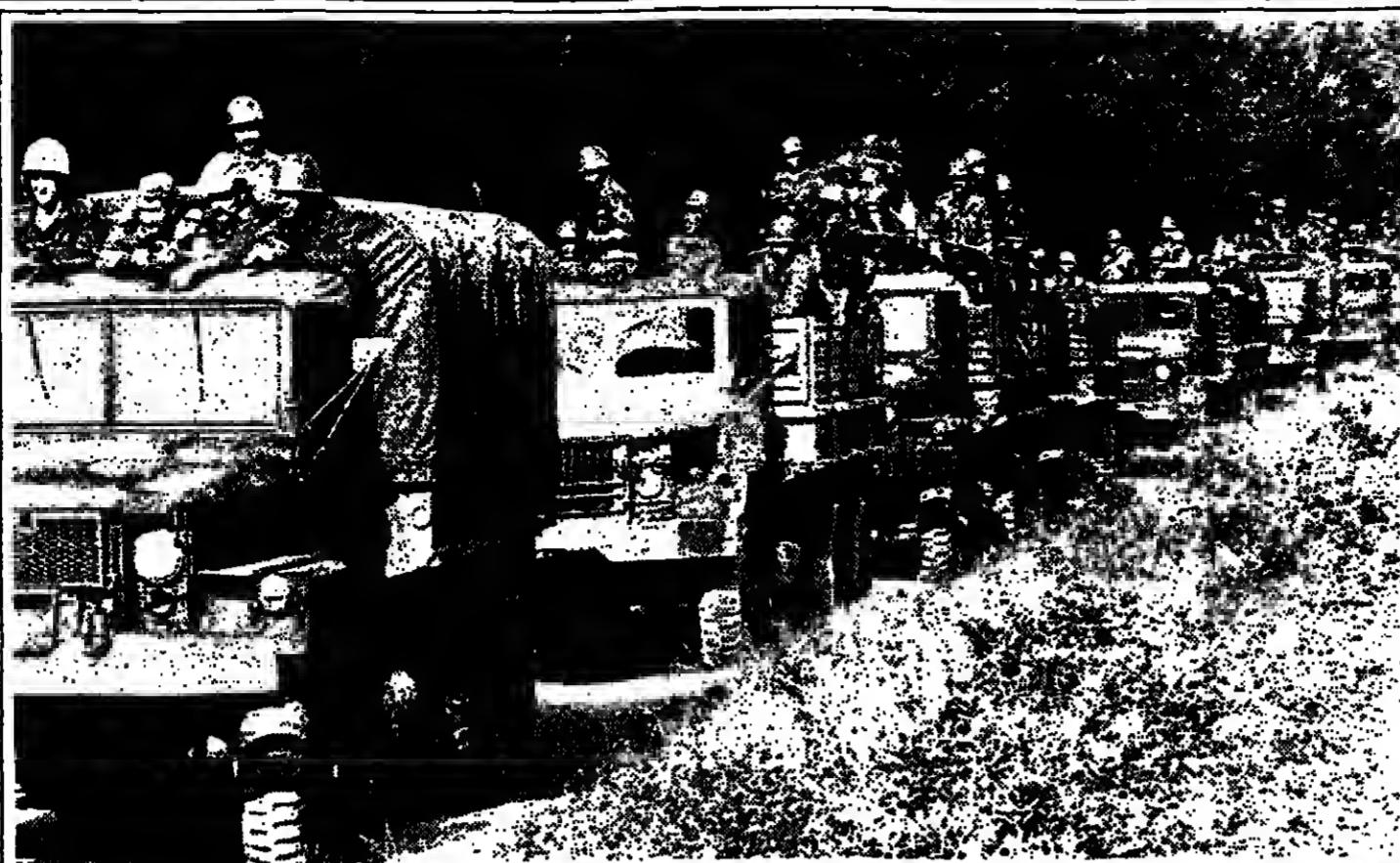
Habash calls for urgent summit of hardline states

ERS, April 22 (R) — Palestinian leader George Habash has called for an urgent summit meeting of hardline Arab states to review Egypt's peace treaty with Israel.

Arab Steadfastness and Confrontation Front of Algeria, south Yemen and the Palestine Liberation Organization should also step up the struggle against Israel, the Algerian news agency quoted him as saying.

Habash, general secretary of the People's Front for Liberation (PFLP) arrived here Friday night on a visit.

In an arrival statement he was convinced that national regimes would implement the decision to boycott Egypt. "To tell the truth, we are afraid that the Arab people will be he added."



HEADING SOUTH : A convoy of Lebanese army battalion heads to South Lebanon Tuesday to join United Nations peacekeeping in regions near the border with Israel.

May contact China

Dayan embarks on tour of Far East today

TEL AVIV, April 22 (R) — Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan leaves Monday for official visits to Nepal, Burma and Thailand amid press reports here that he will also try to establish contact with China.

Israel and China have never had any relations but the Israeli press has often mentioned unofficial contacts between Israelis or people closely identified with Israel and Chinese authorities.

Last week the Israeli press reported that a private Israeli commercial mission had visited Peking recently and that the Chinese had shown some interest in establishing economic relations.

The delegation was said to have been headed by Shaul Eisenberg, a multi-millionaire industrialist living in Israel with wide business interests in the Far East.

Israeli government officials

denied the report, but the press reports about unofficial contacts and efforts by foreign officials, including Americans, to arrange a meeting between the Israelis and Chinese have persisted.

The Israeli press — aware of

Dayan's record of going off on secret, unscheduled meetings with foreign officials — said Sunday that an encounter with Chinese republic emissaries "would not come as a surprise."

Foreign ministry officials

denied that Dayan would meet any communist Chinese representatives, although they said he would pay a private visit to Hong Kong during his two-week tour.

They declined to give his exact itinerary for security reasons.

OMAR MUKHTAR : American actor Anthony Quinn and Syrian-American Director Moustapha Akkad on set of "Omar Mukhtar" being shot in Bengazi, Libya. Quinn's role of Omar Mukhtar, a teacher of the Koran, who took up arms against Mussolini's fascist invaders of Libya. (AP photo)

Cyrus, Middle East to dominate agenda of French, Greek leaders

April 22 (R) — Cyprus, East conflict and other regional problems will be the main topics of talks between Greek Constantine Tsatsos President Valery Giscard d'Estaing opening here.

Leaders will also discuss membership in the Common Market and the enlarged community officials said.

Giscard, who will meet Tsatsos on arrival, has often stressed his old friendship and between France and Greece as well as the contribution of civilization to Europe. He has hailed entry into the EEC as the Continent's culture and democratic

who personally backed him to join the Common Market will attend a ceremony in May 28 for the signing of the Community. Greece joins the EEC on Jan. 1,

in his first visit to Paris became president after his stay here, meet Emile Van Lennep general of the

Polisario claims seizing village

ALGIERS, April 22 (R) — The Polisario Front claimed that it had occupied the village of Aouinet Torkiz in southern Morocco last Tuesday, killing 26 Moroccan soldiers and wounding 20. A Polisario communiqué carried by the Algerian Press Service news agency claimed that the Moroccan garrison had fled.

U.S. said building Cyprus base

BEIRUT, April 22 (R) — The Lebanese leftist newspaper "As-Safir" said Sunday that the British base at Akrotiri, Cyprus, was being expanded to receive a large United States force. The paper added this was part of a plan to carry out what it called U.S. threats of military intervention in the Middle East.

Iran press must print retractions

TEHRAN, April 22 (R) — Iranian newspapers or magazines which libel national officials must publish their replies, up to twice the length of the original, the ministry of information has announced. A ministry statement said the replies must be printed on the same page, in the same type and free of charge.

Sadat sends notes to Barre, Gouled

CAIRO, April 22 (R) — Egyptian Defense Minister Kamal Hassan Ali returned Saturday from a three-day visit to Somalia and Djibouti. He said that his talks with officials in the two countries had dealt "with all issues of common interest" but did not elaborate. He added that he conveyed messages from President Anwar Sadat to Presidents Muhammad Siad Barre of Somalia and Hassan Gouled of Djibouti.



RADE : Soldiers of Iran's new revolutionary army, carrying a portrait of Ayatollah Khomeini, wave to the crowd, as they pass the Freedom Monument — built in a lift to an armed guerrilla, to commemorate 2,500 years of monarchy — during last week's military parade in Tehran. (AP photo)

Sumed boycott urged by Kuwait newspaper

KUWAIT, April 22 (R) — A Kuwait newspaper Sunday called for a boycott of Egypt's Sumed pipeline, which can carry 1.6 million barrels of oil a day from the Red Sea to the Mediterranean.

If the oil flow in the pipeline is maintained it would render meaningless the recent decision of the Organization of Arab Petroleum

Algeria says Sadat policy ruined Egyptian economy

ALGIERS, April 22 (R) — The Algerian government daily "Al-Mujahid" said Sunday President Sadat's liberalization policy had ruined the Egyptian economy.

The paper quoted reports from U.S. newspapers giving grim descriptions of Egypt's economic situation, and commented that these papers could not be suspected of antipathy toward Sadat.

"Al Mujahid" also pointed to Egypt's angry reaction at its exclusion last week from the Organization of Arab Petroleum Exporting countries (OAPEC), and said it demonstrated "the panic and deep worry of Egyptian leaders, in view of the Egyptian isolation of the Arab scene..."

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Jubilation ends Rhodesia elections

SALISBURY, April 22 (AP) — Rhodesia's first universal suffrage elections have drawn to a close with jubilant officials placing voter turnout at 64 per cent and Bishop Abel Muzorewa likely to become the first black prime Minister of Zimbabwe-Rhodesia.

But military communiques Saturday made clear the six-year Rhodesia war was far from over.

One communique tersely reported another air raid against guerrilla bases in Mozambique, the second in two days. Another gave the death toll over the past 24 hours as 15 guerrillas, eight "collaborators" and one white soldier.

By 2 p.m. Saturday, five hours before polls closed, officials said 63 per cent of an estimated 2.9 million black and white eligible voters had cast their ballots.

South African blacks hold ceremony at Biko's grave

KING WILLIAM'S TOWN, South Africa April 22 (AP) — Several hundred blacks, stepping gingerly around un-filled graves, sang and prayed as the tombstone of black consciousness founder Steve Biko was unveiled here Saturday.

Although there were a dozen Land-Rovers loaded with camouflaged police, no effort was made to

embattled internal settlement reached last year by Prime Minister Ian Smith, Muzorewa, and two other black nationalists.

A military spokesman pronounced the massive mobilization of 100,000 Rhodesian reservists as a "considerable military success" that had blunted black guerrilla plans to disrupt the voting.

"They promised to prevent the elections and they have failed to disrupt them," he said. "The people of Zimbabwe-Rhodesia have demonstrated unmistakably that they reject the imposition of rule by terror."

A post-election official reception by acting Rhodesian state President Henry Everard for more than 300 foreign journalists and observers drawn by the election had all the hallmarks of an epitaph

being manacled for three weeks, fearing the five-day lull in guerrilla activity would be followed by a resumption of attacks.

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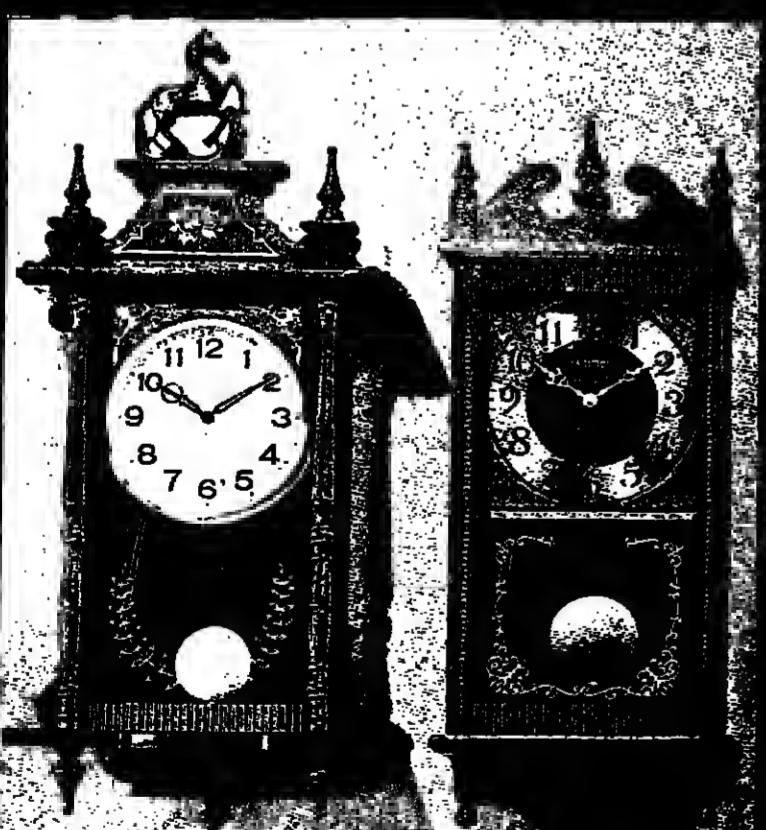
Biko remains a hero to most black South Africans hostile to the official policy of apartheid, which legalizes discrimination and restricts blacks to the most inferior status in the society.



RESCUED : One of the passengers from a Polish freighter is helped ashore after being rescued from the ship. The ship, Raymont, recently caught fire near the Danish isle of Bornholm in the Baltic Sea. (AP photo)

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for the era of white domination.

White-gloved waiters served at the colonial government house while Smith and other officials mingled with guests. Then while black buglers sounded the past post, the green and white Rhodesian flag was lowered and Rhodesians broke into a rousing rendition of the national anthem, "Rise O Voices of Rhodesia."

Neither Muzorewa nor the Rev. Ndabaningi Sithole were there, but chief, Jeremiah Chirau, the fourth and most conservative member of the interim government, attended.

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MAJORITY RULE : Bishop Abel Muzorewa is seen here with Commissioner of Police P.K. Alton recently. He is expected to become Rhodesia's first black prime minister, replacing Ian Smith, who will lose his post after this week's general elections for majority rule.

Vietnamese pincer

Trapped Pol Pot forces fleeing

KUD PAI, Thailand April 22 (AP) — About 20,000 Cambodians, including thousands of soldiers of the toppled Pol Pot regime, have fled into Thailand in the face of a pincer movement by heavily armed Vietnamese forces making an all-out drive in western Cambodia.

Newsmen at the frontier said Thai authorities Sunday allowed the group — estimated to include 8,000 soldiers — to begin a march along the frontier inside Thailand to another, safer place inside Cambodia.

Some of the soldiers loyal to ex-Premier Pol Pot told newsmen that two Vietnamese columns, with about 15 tanks, had moved against their outpost at Phnom Markun, a 370-meter-high hill

10 kilometers from the Thai border, allowing them only one escape route.

The Cambodians poured across the frontier south of the key Thai border town of Aranyaprathet in long columns, which included ox-pulled carts and even horses. Hundreds of women and children were among the escapees.

Thai authorities at the border said thousands, possibly tens of thousands, of other Cambodians might try to enter Thailand in the face of the drive by the Vietnamese and soldiers of the new Phnom Penh regime. About 5,000 are just inside Thailand north of Aranyaprathet, with the Thais uncertain of what to do with them.

The Pol Pot soldiers said they wanted to move southward to join fellow fighters in another rugged, hilly area, Phnom Malai. This would involve a trek of some 30 kilometers along the Thai side of the frontier.

The weeks-old Vietnamese offensive appears to be pushing

the Pol Pot troops and the civilians with them towards southwestern Cambodia, a mountainous region where Indochina analysts predict the insurgents might be able to set up a major guerrilla base.

Some analysts here have said that the Vietnamese forces appear to have inflicted serious defeats on the Pol Pot side recently and that the fighting in western Cambodia along the Thai border might be the last effective stand of the ousted regime.

The Pol Pot soldiers said nine tanks had moved in from the north and six from the south as part of the Vietnamese two-pronged attack. A bridge blown up by their side near Phnom Markun had been repaired by Vietnamese engineers, allowing the tanks to move in.

Several hours after the 20,000 had crossed, Cambodian soldiers of the new regime reached the Thai frontier in pursuit and exchanged words with Thai border authorities.

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Kriangsak appoints 225-man assembly

BANGKOK, April 22 (AP) — Prime Minister Kriangsak Chomchua Sunday appointed a military-dominated, conservative upper house, helping to pave the way for his confirmation in office.

The list of 225 senators, approved by King Bhumibol Adulyadej, was unveiled shortly after the close of balloting in Sunday's general elections for the lower house.

The prime minister will be chosen by the parliament as a whole probably in early May.

The senate will include 185 militarymen and nine police officers and only 31 civilians, most of them bankers and businessmen.

The interior ministry said that polling was carried out without trouble from Thailand's estimated 10,000 communist insurgents or lawless elements.

At polling stations in Bangkok there was evidence of low turnout and some complaints that the ballots did not list party affiliations of candidates.

The prime minister, speaking to the country earlier on the eve of the elections, admitted the polling would not lead to "a full-fledged western model of American or British democracy," but was a step forward toward both stability and freedom.

Kriangsak, though not a candidate, is expected by many to retain his job through majority support in the two houses of parliament.

Thailand's modern political history has been an often rapid alternation between military governments and democratic experiments. Kriangsak, a 60-year-old military man, seized power in a bloodless coup in November 1977.

He is credited with restoring stability to Thai politics after a series of upheavals, and of following a generally effective policy of neutrality toward the various communist blocs.

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Canada seen tired of Trudeau

Economics eclipse Quebec in vote

TORONTO, April 22 (AP) — Canadians choose a new parliament next month in an election Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau says may determine whether Canada stays whole or loses Quebec, but voters seem to care more about inflation, unemployment and a tax proposal than what's in their pockets.

Much of the debate is over a tax break others have enjoyed for decades, the right to deduct mortgage interest from income taxes. A proposal by opposition leader Joe Clark to allow it in Canada is popular with the middle class.

But the 39-year-old Clark has an image problem. His style, voice and jowly looks recall former United States President Nixon, and his inexperience troubles many Canadians.

"Trudeau's got to go," retired steamfitter Ronald Edwards told a reporter on a Toronto Street, "but they don't think Clark could stand up

to the big-money guys."

Most political specialists predict neither party will win a majority of seats in the May 22 election for a new, expanded 282-seat House of Commons. In that case, the party with a plurality will try to govern as a minority in parliament.

It will require the support of a smaller third party, the strongest of which is the New Democrats, a socialist party that wants to pull Canada out of NATO.

The latest Gallup Poll gives both the Liberals and Conservatives 41 per cent of the decided vote, with 15 per cent going to the New Democrats. But 35 per cent of all voters say they are undecided.

Trudeau's Liberals now have 133 of the 264 seats in the Commons.

Trudeau, 59, who led the Liberals to victory in three previous elections, has been in office longer than any leader of a major Western nation.

The luster of his earlier years as the swinging prime minister has faded, but his occasional arrogance has not.



Pierre Trudeau



PEARL RIVER : Flooding last week in Jackson, Mississippi. By Saturday thousands had fled the waters bearing down on the town of Columbia, further downstream. (AP photo)

Mississippi river threatens

Texas flash flood claims three lives

NEW YORK, April 22 (AP) — A flash flood swept three persons in a car to their deaths in San Antonio, Texas, Saturday, while the rampaging Pearl River bore down on the small city of Columbia in Mississippi, forcing thousands to flee.

Police in Houston searched for the body of a 14-year-old boy who disappeared in the churning waters of a bayou as he reached for a floating foot-ball.

Civil Defense officials estimate nearly \$700 million damage in Mississippi. In the state capital of Jackson, a waste water treatment plant suffered \$62 million of the damage.

Some 3,500 to 4,000 persons abandoned their homes in the northern sections of Columbia, a city of 8,000, and worried officials watched clouds darken. The Mississippi Highway Patrol said 6,000

people had evacuated.

Water stood knee-deep in neighborhoods within two blocks of the Marion County courthouse on the town square in Columbia. Health officials said they feared the flood could sabotage the city's sandbagged sewage pumping station.

About 30 miles upstream at Monticello, the river began to recede. It stood at 33.5 feet Saturday morning, down from the high mark of 34.1 feet on Friday.

Late Friday, highway officials carved a trench through the main road into Columbia from the east to free floodwaters dammed by the road. The water gushed across hundreds of acres of farmland to the south.

Main roads to the south and east of the city were closed and roadblocks tinged the town.

U.S. industrialist ordered to pay \$ 3.3m in divorce

FORT WORTH, Tex. April 22 (R) — One of the richest men in the United States, industrialist T. Cullen Davis, has been ordered to pay a \$3.3 million divorce settlement.

And he also faces charges that in 1976 he tried to murder his wife Priscilla.

In the divorce settlement, which coded a five-year court battle, the judge declared the couple's \$6 million, 20-room mansion the sole property of Davis and ordered Mrs. Davis to vacate the premises within 30 days.

But Mrs. Davis, who had sought \$50 million, was awarded her car, clothes, furs, jewellery, pets and house.

She said she was not unhappy with the settlement, adding, "it's not bad to move. (The house) already had termite damage."

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The commando raid against Nahariya has once again underlined the simplest fact of Middle Eastern life that there can be no peace or stability in the region without the Palestinians. As sure as the raid itself is the Israeli reprisal. And the second simplest fact then is that no reprisal has ever succeeded in stopping the Palestinians.

Even the Egyptians have been counselling the Americans recently on the need to help the Palestinians achieve their rights as the only way to move from bilateral to general peace in the Middle East. Indications are that the Carter administration has arrived at the same conclusion on its own. But it does not necessarily follow that the Americans will be able to create conditions conducive to the establishment of a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza Strip in the foreseeable future.

The administration is still toying with the idea of self-rule in the occupied territories. If this succeeds, the administration hopes, it will be spared the agony of another confrontation with the Begin government. The Begin hurdle notwithstanding, the Americans still do not see eye-to-eye with the Palestinians and other Arabs over the definition of a Palestinian homeland. The Palestinians want an independent state; the Americans support a wide measure of self-rule that may lead after several years to independence, depending on how "responsibly" the Palestinians behave themselves in their self-rule enclave.

For the time being, however, the question of defining Palestinian rights does not arise because of the more urgent problem of agreeing on how to get there. The Carter administration believes that the PLO will show its goodwill by cooperating with, or at least abstaining from obstructing, self-rule measures in the West Bank. The PLO finds such a stand untenable, first because the whole peace formula has been rejected in its present form and, second, because even abstaining implies confidence in the Carter administration that, as far as the Palestinians are concerned, is undeserved for the time being.

The Palestinians feel that actions of the Nahariya type are far more effective than open or secret cooperation in a peace formula that has registered a thousand Arab reservations. The Nahariya raid hardly reflects the power of the Palestinian movement. It was organized by a newly formed small group at odds with half a dozen Arab regimes. The PLO leadership has often complained that the Washington administration, any administration, always holds it responsible for the actions of the peripheral groups and, worse, appears to believe that this is the limit of the PLO ability. But the PLO is better judged by the things it does not do rather than by the actions of small groups. It has the ability to cause havoc in many parts of the Middle East and areas beyond and could hurt Western economies as a last resort. But, first, it is moderate and responsible and, second, it has not given up hope on a peace formula with the Americans, instead of their local surrogates. The PLO leaders insist that peripheral, but effective, violence can only end when the Palestinians are allowed to control their own destiny in freedom of outside pressures. They will then become a very moderating influence in the Arab group as a whole with no-one being able to make a holler-than-thou approach to them, something easily made against the Egyptians.

South Africa woos coloreds

By Jack Foisse

CAPE TOWN — In an apparent effort by South Africa's white minority government to gain an ally in the event of a showdown with majority blacks in the racially segregated nation, Cape Town's coloreds (persons of mixed race) are getting a better deal in housing and community development.

Under way in the western half of the Cape of Good Hope hinterland is a massive building program under which a quarter million coloreds will be settled in a vast home community known as Mitchell's Plain. Although the houses will be comparable to those in the cheap American tracts, they amount to an unprecedented uplift in lifestyle for South African non-whites.

An even larger development to consolidate the "in-between" people, neither white nor black in South Africa's structured racial classification system, is under way at Atlantis, a planned city on the Atlantic coast where within 20 years a half a million coloreds are to be housed. Most will be workers at a nearby industrial complex, also under development.

The housing at Mitchell's Plain and Atlantis is being almost entirely financed by the government. Houses will be sold on easy terms and at low interest rates to coloreds only.

The undertakings commit the government — and white taxpayers — to an investment of several billion dollars. In an era of uneasy race relations here, it is intended to mollify the coloreds, who are regarded by whites as superior to blacks and therefore allies should race war break out.

The partially extended white hand of cordiality to coloreds is not new insofar as it pertains to housing. Mitchell's Plain was begun four years ago and Atlantis more recently. But the accelerated program to develop the two beachside cities with modern community centers, theaters, shopping centers, parks and sport fields dovetails now with a government effort to extend a degree of political decision-making to coloreds.

Power-sharing is before the South African parliament, currently in session here. The all-white National Party, which dominates the government, is proposing to create three parliaments, one for whites, one for coloreds, and one for the discriminated-against "Asian" community, mostly descendants of immigrants from India. This arrangement would still leave a superbody on top, dominated by whites.

South African blacks, who outnumber the combined whites, coloreds and Asians by 4 to 1 would not share central power. As presently envisioned by the white government, blacks would exercise their democratic rights in their tribal homelands, which in the main are economically depressed regions.

The government's offer to the coloreds and Asians is also intended to demonstrate to Communist and cynical Western nations that South Africa's controversial system of legalized discrimination is undergoing substantive change.

The colored community of 2.4 million, 60 per cent in Cape Town and the Western Cape, is divided over whether to accept limited power-sharing with whites, or whether to stand fast with blacks and other discriminated-against groups and demand equality with whites — politically, economically and socially.

Older people of mixed race remember when, up to the 1960s, they were "almost accepted" as equals by whites.

Physically, some colored could pass as whites, the result of 300 years of miscegenation. Some do.

Some appear to be black — and suffer added degradation. Colored workers in the Cape vineyards owned by whites are sometimes partially paid with wine, and an alcoholism problem exists.

Some coloreds are well-educated professional men. The present Prime Minister, Pieter Botha, who has spent the years since his teens in the Cape, is said by aides to desire a more relaxed social and business relationship with well-to-do coloreds.

Said an elderly colored businessman: "We once had representation in parliament, and although it was by whites they represented our views. We were trying to be whites. We accepted the white language (Afrikaans)."

Then the National Party, which came to power in 1948, began its move to establish absolute white supremacy. Coloreds lost their vote and were included in other oppressive race laws, although mostly the laws were directed against blacks.

"Now we may be on our way back," the colored businessman said. "Perhaps having our own parliament in the three-tiered government is the beginning. I must try it."

But younger coloreds, educated and angry over their inequality, mainly strive for what one described as "a united front of the oppressed," an alliance with Indians and particularly with blacks.

During the uprising by blacks in 1976 in Soweto and other black ghettos, Cape Town coloreds joined on the revolt in their local areas. More than 50 students of mixed ancestry died in the upheaval.

The present government overtures are treated with suspicion even by the growing colored middle class. They do not believe that whites are ready to accept them as other than second-class citizens.

In its efforts to separate races into separate housing and business areas, the Western Cape represents the government's largest undertaking.

All of the Western Cape — a huge area extending almost to Port Elizabeth on the Indian Ocean, and north to Namibia has been designed a "colored labor preference area." This is intended to allow priority in jobs and housing to coloreds over blacks.

There has not been new housing built for blacks since 1966, according to white South African students of racial affairs.

As a result, large black squatter camps have sprung up. Some camps have been demolished, and their people forcibly returned to their native homelands where there little employment.

The biggest of the camps, Crossroads, faced a similar threat early this year. But due to internal protests from liberal whites, and from anti-apartheid groups in Europe and the United States, government action against Crossroads has been stayed. (LAT)



U.S. military airlift capabilities

By Bob Lebling
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — It would take almost a month for the United States to airlift its two lightest army divisions to the Middle East in the event of a regional crisis, according to a new congressional study.

Deployment of a light and a heavy division in the area would take even longer — perhaps up to five weeks — the study concludes.

The findings appear in a new report on U.S. military airlift capabilities by the Congressional Budget Office.

The report, entitled "U.S. Airlift Forces: Alternatives for NATO and Non-NATO Contingencies," examines U.S. airlift preparedness for possible war in Europe, the Middle East and other areas.

The Middle East — particularly the Gulf area — is the Pentagon's number one priority for contingency planning outside the NATO area, the study says.

"Since the Arab-Israeli war in 1973 and the emergence of the politics of petroleum, a conflict in the Gulf or Middle East regions has supplanted Northeast Asia (Korea) as the 'minor contingency' for force planning purposes," the report notes.

The "major contingency" would be a land war in Europe. Pentagon planners now take into account the possibilities that the U.S. may eventually become involved in two simultaneous conflicts: one against the Warsaw Pact nations in Europe and another "lesser" confrontation against Soviet-backed forces in the Middle East.

"The 'one and one-half war' strategic concept represents both a planning artifact and a reasonable (though conservative) assessment of actual situations that might develop in the future," the study says.

The report cites "inherent difficulties" in planning for a possible conflict in the Middle East.

"With respect to a NATO/Warsaw Pact war, there is general agreement concerning the probable factors associated with a Warsaw Pact attack — its possible size, probable military objectives, plausible invasion routes, and so on," the report says. "No comparable exists regarding a Middle East/Gulf contingency."

But Pentagon planners accept a common theme for a scenario requiring U.S. military intervention in the Middle East:

"American forces would be deployed to a region to assist a friendly power defend itself against an attack by a neighbor supported by Soviet forces."

Last year Secretary of Defense Harold Brown said U.S. armed intervention in the Middle East could involve the use of several army divisions, marine amphibious forces and several air wings.

Military sources here say that the 82nd Airborne Division and the 101st Airmobile Division — two crack military "crisis" units — would almost certainly be involved in any

U.S. action in the Middle East.

But, according to the congressional study, "it could take as long as 26 days" to deploy these two divisions in the Gulf "with current airlift resources."

The 82nd Airborne and the 101st Airmobile are the two lightest divisions in the U.S. army.

If the U.S. sought to deploy both a light and a heavy division in the Middle East, "closure times could potentially reach five weeks," the study says.

The Pentagon could airlift "small elements" of the 82nd Airborne to the area within two days, the report adds, "though their contribution would be more political than military until the remainder of the force had arrived."

Part of the reason for the delay, the study says, is political. Rapid airlifting of U.S. troops to the Middle East would require full utilization of both military and civilian reserve transport planes.

"Since it is probable that the president would want to insulate a Gulf contingency to prevent escalation into a NATO/Warsaw Pact war, it is probable that he would avoid mobilization (of commercially owned civilian reserve aircraft) or delay its announcement, thereby limiting the amount of civilian aircraft available for a Gulf deployment," the report says.

In addition to the 900 military transport planes of the U.S. armed forces — the largest such fleet in the Western world — the Pentagon can in time of war call upon nearly 80 percent of all civilian international cargo transport and 55 percent of all wide-body international passenger aircraft to carry materiel and troops to the battle zones.

Mobilization of civilian reserve aircraft in the event of a Middle East crisis could not only "send unacceptable signals to the Soviet Union" but also "disrupt the domestic economy, which the president would probably want to avoid except in the most severe emergencies," the report maintains.

To reduce the delivery time of U.S. military units to the Middle East, the Pentagon would have to procure a large number of new military transports — as many as 400 AMST tactical cargo aircraft or 100 new C-5 Galaxy planes.

Such additions to the military transport fleet "would reduce closure times by a week for one division or two weeks for a two-division force," the study says.

The additions would particularly improve delivery times for heavy divisions, it adds.

Practical or intra-theater airlift would play a major role in any Middle East intervention, since the ground transportation network in the region "is not nearly as sophisticated or redundant as in the European network," the study notes.

For this reason, the report stresses the need for more tactical transports — specifically AMSTs, which could outperform C-130s due to their ability to carry oversize cargo and operate on shorter runways.

Pentagon analysts have recognized the potential contribution of AMSTs to a Middle East contingency, but have apparently decided not to procure large numbers of the aircraft because of its limited usefulness in a European land war.

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that Israel could get what it wants. The smear campaign against these states takes the form of bizarre reports of turmoil or of possible invasion by some state or the other.

"We have said that we are not against peace as such, but we are certainly against a treaty that gives Israel everything it wanted without giving the Arabs anything in return." * * *

"Those who speculated about differences in this country were certainly blinded by their malice and could not see the facts," according to "Al-Jazra."

"The attacks were stepped up since the March 26 when the Egyptian-Israeli treaty was signed. They are meant to intimidate the Arab states which opposed the treaty which gave Israel one day what it could not get in 30 years. The idea is to weaken opposition to the treaty so

Arab and Muslim solidarity is a basic pillar of its policy and will, which remain a target for its enemies.

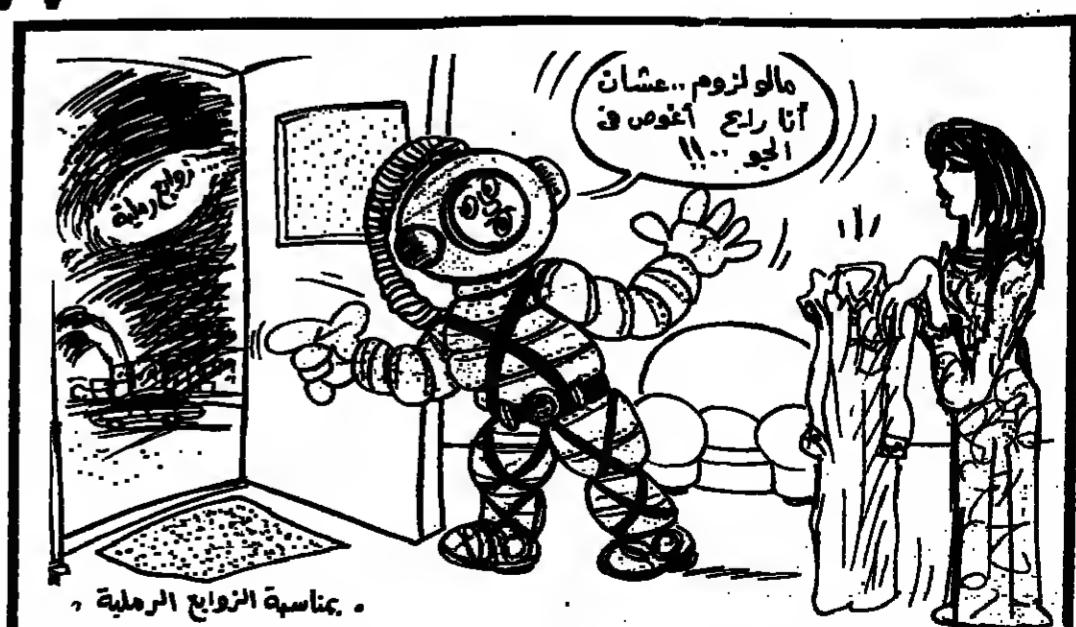
"Zionists and other enemies of the Arabs and Muslims will continue their campaign against the Kingdom and slander it by fabricating lies and rumors about differences that do not exist except in their sick minds," the paper said.

"Al-Nadwa" reported that it was agreed during a meeting presided over by the minister of agriculture and water resources that it is feasible to make use of subterranean water in Mecca.

The paper said that the abandoned wells there could provide 50 million gallons a day if they can be purified.

"In addition to the wells, there is considerable rain water which is now wasted because there are no dams to hold it."

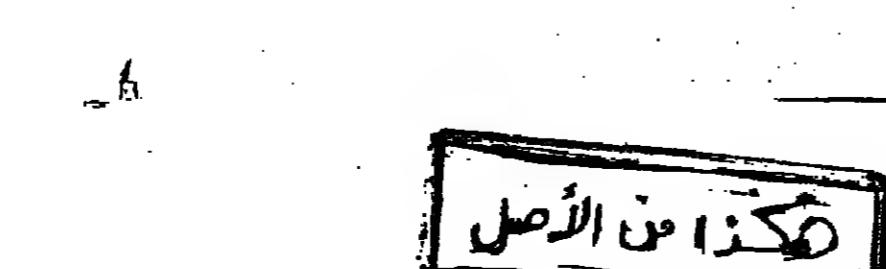
"The Kingdom realizes that



(On the sandstorm):

There is no need for the robe. This outfit is better.

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Where was Leuce Come?

By Bob Lebling

Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — "Now to left of Berenice (Egypt's Ras Has), sailing for two or three days from Mussel Harbor eastward across the adjacent gulf (the Red Sea), there is another harbor, a fortified place, which is called the Village (Leuce Come), in which there is a road to ita, which is subject to Ithias, King of the Nabataeans. It holds the position of a martinet town for the small vessels sent from (South) Arabia; and so an eunuch stationeth there as a lector of one-fourth of the merchandise imported, with an armed force, as a garrison."

With these words, an Egyptian Greek sea-captain, writing in about A.D. 60, described the legendary port city of Leuce Come, an emporium of the Nabataean Arabs who ruled what now Jordan and northwest Saudi Arabia centuries before the birth of Islam.

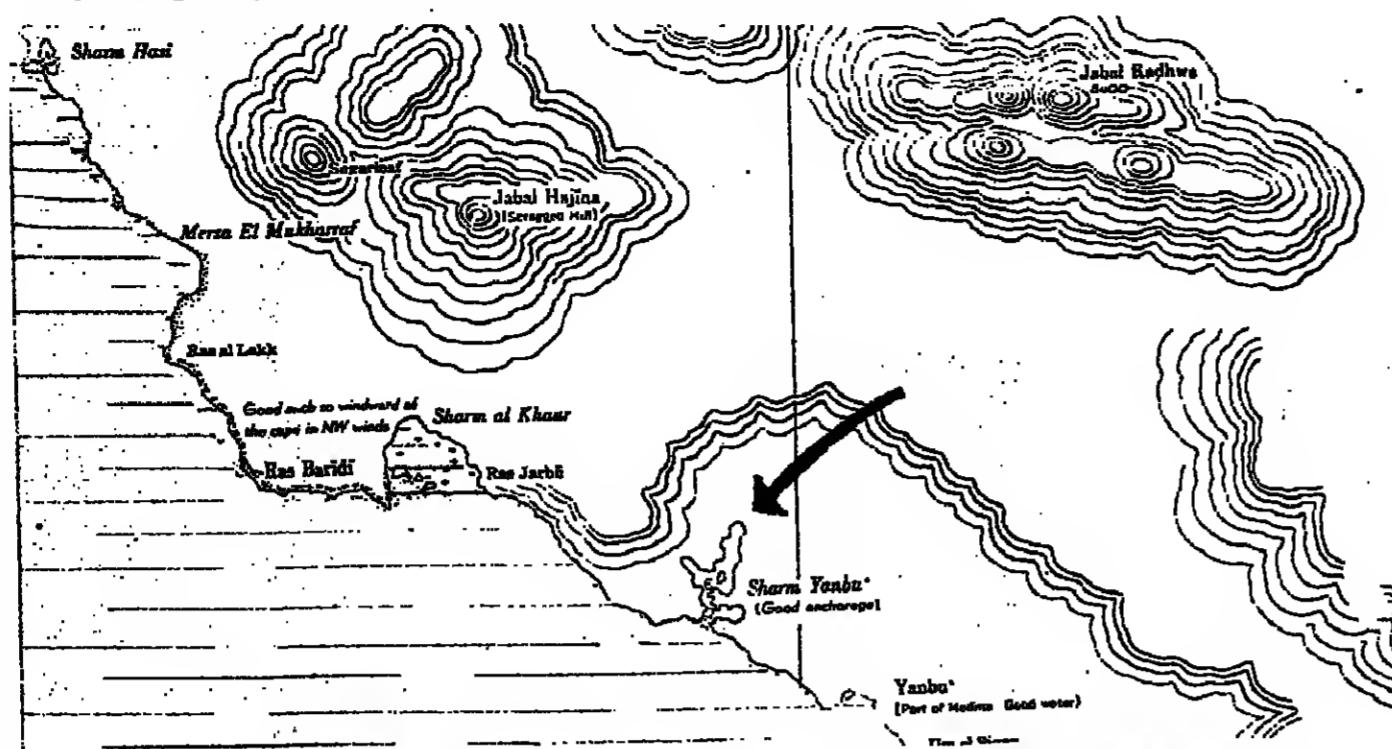
According to ancient writers, Leuce Come was the jewel of the Red Sea, a bustling seaport market that served as a key transhipment point for spices, gems and other goods en route to the Mediterranean from Arabia Felix, modern-day Yemen.

But today, Leuce Come is indeed one of the world's "lost cities." Contemporary explorers and archeologists have been able to locate the site of the fledgling harbor town, despite various theories as to where it must have been.

According to the American scholar Wilfred Schoff — whose translation of the ship-captain's "Periplous of the Erythraean (Red) Sea" is quoted here — most commentators have located Leuce Come at Al-Haura, which lies in a bay protected by a small island midway between Wajh and Yanbu on the Saudi Arabian coast.

Other scholars say Leuce Come was probably located on the site of present-day Yanbu. The eventual discovery of this "Village" will tell us much about the Nabataeans' role as a major sea-power — a role overlooked by most modern historians, due to the lack of archaeological evidence.

Scholars have been hard pressed to explain the frequent use of phoenician imagery found in the pictures and inscriptions of Petra and other Nabataean ruins. Thus there is much justification



The Red Sea coast of the Nabataeans. Arrow indicates Sharm Yanbu, possible site of the lost city of Leuce Come.

According to the conventional wisdom, the Nabataeans were exclusively a desert people, who ruled the caravan routes from the Gulf and Arabia Felix.

But careful scrutiny of ancient historical accounts shows the Nabataeans also had a strong attachment to the sea. This early Arab people possessed not only a merchant shipping capability but a naval fleet as well.

According to the Greek historian Plutarch, the Nabataean navy destroyed by fire a fleet of Egyptian galleys and thus frustrated an attempt by Queen Cleopatra to establish a naval presence in the Red Sea.

Several ancient Greek accounts — understandably biased — portray the Nabataean seafarers as pirates. In the words of Diodorus of Sicily, "these Arabs not only attacked the shipwrecked, but fitting out pirate ships preyed upon the voyagers, imitating in their practices the savage and lawless ways of the Tauri of the Pontus (Black Sea)."

The Greek authors also say the Nabataeans inhabited the small islands that dot the Red Sea off the northwest Saudi coast — clear evidence of a seafaring capability.

In addition, archeologists have found evidence of a possible Nabataean sanctuary near Naples in Italy, an indication that "Arabs of Petra" extended their influence deep into the Mediterranean basin.

Thus there is much justification

for the Nabataeans' use of the dolphin image in their local art — since this sea creature was regarded as a good-luck symbol by sailors throughout the ancient world.

While the Nabataeans had several ports in the Red Sea region — including one called Aila near the Jordanian city of Aqaba — Leuce Come appears to have been the largest and most important.

It is logical to assume that the Nabataeans would have built their chief Red Sea base at a spot that provided the best anchorage in the area — probably a locale offering a natural harbor to protect their ships from gales and storms.

While some of the sites suggested by scholars — such as Al-Haura — would be adequate for this purpose, by far the best anchorage between Jeddah and the Gulf of Aqaba lies in a spot that has apparently not been suggested as the location for ancient Leuce Come: Sharm Yanbu, a natural inlet several miles north of the modern town of Yanbu.

One ancient author called Sharm Yanbu — then known as Charumathas Harbor — "the fairest of any (harbors) which have come to be included in history."

That writer, Diodorus, went on to describe the inlet as follows: "For behind an extraordinary natural breakwater ... there lies a gulf which not only is marvelous in form but far surpasses all others in the advantages it offers ... its entrance is 2 plethra (202 feet) wide,

and it provides a harbor undisturbed by the waves sufficient for 2,000 vessels."

In the middle of the inlet, Diodorus said, was "an island which is abundantly watered and capable of supporting gardens."

The Greek author said the inlet "resembles most closely the harbor of Carthage, which is called Cethon."

Recent descriptions confirm this. Sharm Yanbu, with its island in the Middle, has been described by modern British navigation experts as "the best barb on the coast between Ras Muhammad (at the tip of Sinai) and Jeddah."

Sharm Yanbu's remarkable shape is indeed similar to the ancient harbor of Carthage, and the inlet would have provided much the best protection for

Nabataean vessels.

While the ancient authors are not clear about whether Charumathas inlet was the site of Leuce Come, they certainly don't rule out the possibility.

Sharm Yanbu is about the proper distance and direction from the old Egyptian port of Berenice, as described in the "Periplous."

Thus the inlet, with an anchorage superior to either Al-Haura or modern Yanbu, could very well be the site of the long-sought ruins of Leuce Come.

Of course, only an archeological survey could confirm this.

But with the Kingdom now taking an active interest in the discovery and preservation of its ancient treasures, there is every hope that within the next few years we will have an answer to this question.



The extent of Nabataean sea power

WASHINGTON — The Nabataean Arabs had a far greater maritime capability than is generally realized.

According to archeologist Nelson Glueck, "the Nabataeans ventured far overseas and over distant lands in their mercantile undertakings, and were much influenced in their course by the phenomenon of dolphins and of the extremely important even though subsidiary dolphin attribute of some gods and goddesses."

Merchandise from the Orient and from Southern Arabia passed through their hands, bringing great revenues and making these Arab merchants the envy of the Greeks and other contemporary peoples.

In addition to their own ports at Aila (near Aqaba) and Leuce Come (on Saudi Arabia's Red Sea coast), the Nabataeans were welcome in the following ports or cities, through military or diplomatic agreement:

- Damascus;
- Harran (on the Euphrates in ancient Parthia);
- Gerrha (on the west coast of the Gulf);
- Berenice (on the Red Sea coast of Egypt); and
- Ascalon (on the Mediterranean coast of Palestine).

The Nabataean seafarers were also frequent visitors in Alexandria, Egypt; Miletus in Asia Minor; the major Roman port of Puteoli near Naples; and perhaps the island of Rhodes. — (B.L.)

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Ann and Paul Schindler

U.S. fishing float collectors

By Charles Ellinger

SEASIDE, Oregon — Paul Schindler held up a Japanese glass fishing-net float with the handle of his face and declared:

"I won't part with this one. I've been told it's the only one of its kind ever found."

Schindler, 75, and his wife, Ann, 71, have been selling glass floats in their gift shop at this Oregon coast resort since 1936.

If he had to put a price on the float with a handle, Schindler said it would "be in the neighborhood of \$2,500."

The Schindlers have hundreds of floats in their store, some as small as golf balls, others more than a meter in circumference.

Fishing floats from Japan, Russia, China and Korea have been washing ashore from Alaska to Mexico since the early years of this century.

Swept loose from fishermen's nets, the floats are caught up in the Kuroshio (black stream), or Japanese Current.

The coast of Oregon gets more of the floats than any other area in North America.

One family in Port Orford, Oregon, has a fence made of more than 4,000 large glass floats.

Surprisingly, the Schindlers, who have lived at Seaside for half a century, have never been avid beachcombers themselves.

"We buy nearly all our glass floats from local shrimpers who pull them in their nets, from local people who decide to sell their collections and from beachcombers," Schindler explained.

"When we first started buying and selling them 2 years ago we paid as little as 15 cents for the mall ones and would turn around and sell them for a quarter."

Today the seaside couple sell the small ones for \$2.50 and up and the big ones for \$50.

They have green, purple, amber, blue, pink, black, turquoise, milky white, gold, olive and red glass floats. Some are shaped like rolling pins. Some are pear-shaped. Others are fused together.

Russian floats are marked with hammer and sickle. Japanese etch theirs with symbols for heaven, earth, sun, moon, stars, sky, fish, seals and the four directions.

"Adrift for years, the glass floats wash ashore encrusted with barnacles, seaweed and mussels," Mrs. Schindler said. "Storms wrest the floats free from the currents and the best time to collect them is when strong southwesterly winds hit our coast."

When the southwesterly winds blow, people look up their homes and leave, often heading for the beach in pouring rain to look for the floats.

Each January, Seaside has an annual beachcombers festival. Prizes are awarded for the most unusual glass floats.

Learning that the floats swept loose from fishermen's nets are eagerly sought by Americans living along the Pacific shores, the Japanese government released 120 "friendship floats" in July, 1963.

Each one contained a letter and a gift for the finder. The first "friendship float" drifted ashore at Nehalem, Oregon, in April, 1966. It had traveled 4,400 miles in 1,000 days or an average of 4.4 miles a day.

The "friendship floats" still drift ashore from time to time, 15 years after they were released.

So far no one, however, has ever brought a "friendship float" into Ann and Paul Schindler's gift shop. — (LAT)

Nips at Liverpool's heels

Forest condemns Birmingham to relegation

LONDON, April 22 (AP) — Nottingham Forest warmed up for Wednesday's European Cup second leg semifinal against FC Cologne by defeating Birmingham City 2-0 Saturday in First Division match.

Garry Birtles and John Robert-

son scored the goals that pushed League Champions Forest to second place behind Liverpool and sent Birmingham to the Second Division next season.

Birmingham joined Chelsea and the two look almost certain to be joined by Queen's Park Ran-

gers — beaten 3-1 by Manchester City at Maine Road.

Derby pulled clear of the relegation zone by defeating Arsenal 2-0 with goals from Gerry Daly and Steve Buckley, while Wolverhampton ended West Bromwich's interest in the league

championship by drawing 1-1 with its local rivals at the Hawthorns.

Arsenal's 2-0 defeat at Derby was marked by the sending off of centerhalf Willie Young in the 69th minute. Young faces a suspension and could miss the Eng-

ish FA Cup Final against Manchester United in three weeks.

Young fouled Roy Greenwood in the first half and was booked. He was dismissed by referee Kevin McNally when he repeated the offence in the second half.

Liverpool maintained its six point lead at the head of the standings with a 1-0 win over Bristol City at Anfield. Kenny Dalglish scored the only goal — his 23rd of the season — after six minutes.

Leading scorer Frank Worthington netted his 26th goal of the season for Bolton, which lost 2-3 at home to Ipswich. Alan Brazil scored twice for the winners.

Sunderland improved its prospects of promotion to Division One with a convincing 2-0 win at Cambridge. Bob Lee and Mick Roher scored the second half goals that enabled Sunderland to leave Crystal Palace in third place.

Brighton gained a late goal from striker Teddy Maybank to secure a 1-1 draw at Luton, while West Ham also dropped a vital point by only drawing with relegation-candidates Charlton.

Breodan O'Callaghan's first half goal gave second placed Stoke City a valuable 1-0 win at Wrex-

ham.

Chelsea, already relegated, relaxed again against Middlesbrough to score its first win in 14 matches. Garry Stanley netted after 27 minutes, David Armstrong equalized after the interval, and Graham Wilkins got the winner in the 74th minute. Six minutes from time Middlesbrough goalkeeper Jim Platt saved a Tommy Langley penalty.

Two superb solo goals from young striker Alan Brazil gave Ipswich victory over Bolton at Burnden Park, Boltons first home defeat since November. John Wark scored Ipswich's other goal, with Botho replying through Frank Worthington and Sam Allardyce.

Werder Bremen collapses under Stuttgart, 2-0

FRANKFURT, April 22 (AP) — FB Stuttgart held on to first place Saturday in the West German Federal Soccer League with a 2-0 victory over Werder Bremen.

But Kaiserslautern, which held the oo, 1 spot for most of the season before losing it last week, slipped to third behind Hamburg after

leaving Frankfurt 2-2.

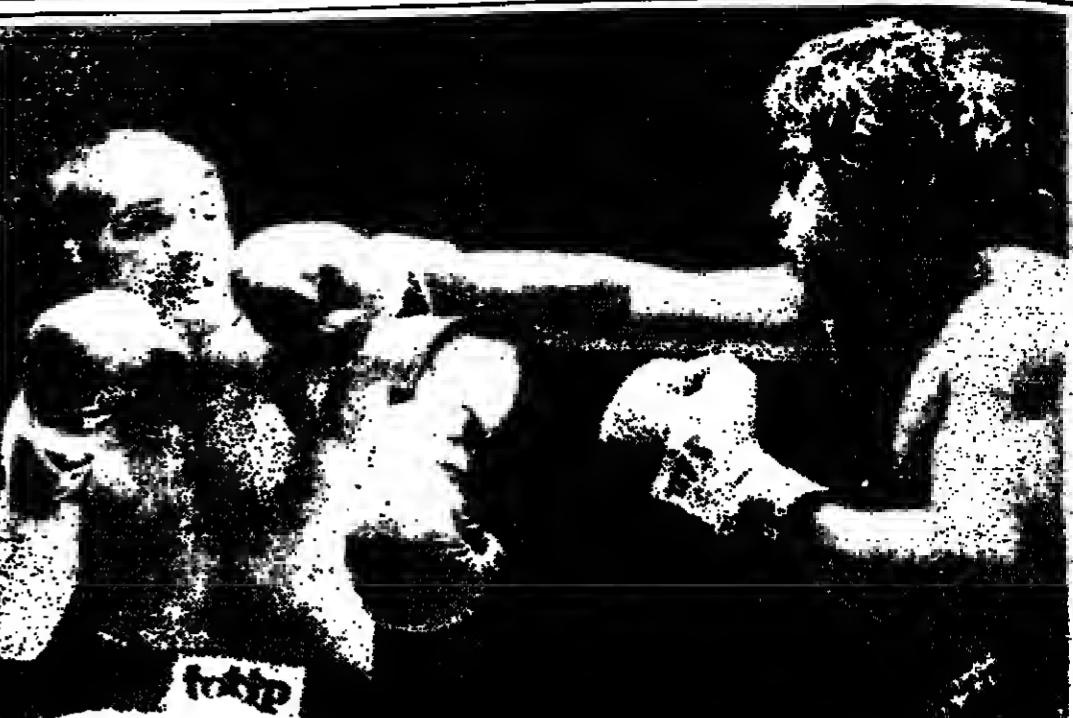
Hamburg SV, a steady performer all season, moved up to second place with a 3-1 triumph over Borussia Dortmund.

Stuttgart, playing before 30,000 fans in Bremen, had little trouble with their opponents, taking the lead in the 10th minute oo an 11-meter penalty kick by Volkert. Kelsch gave Stuttgart its final point in the 19th.

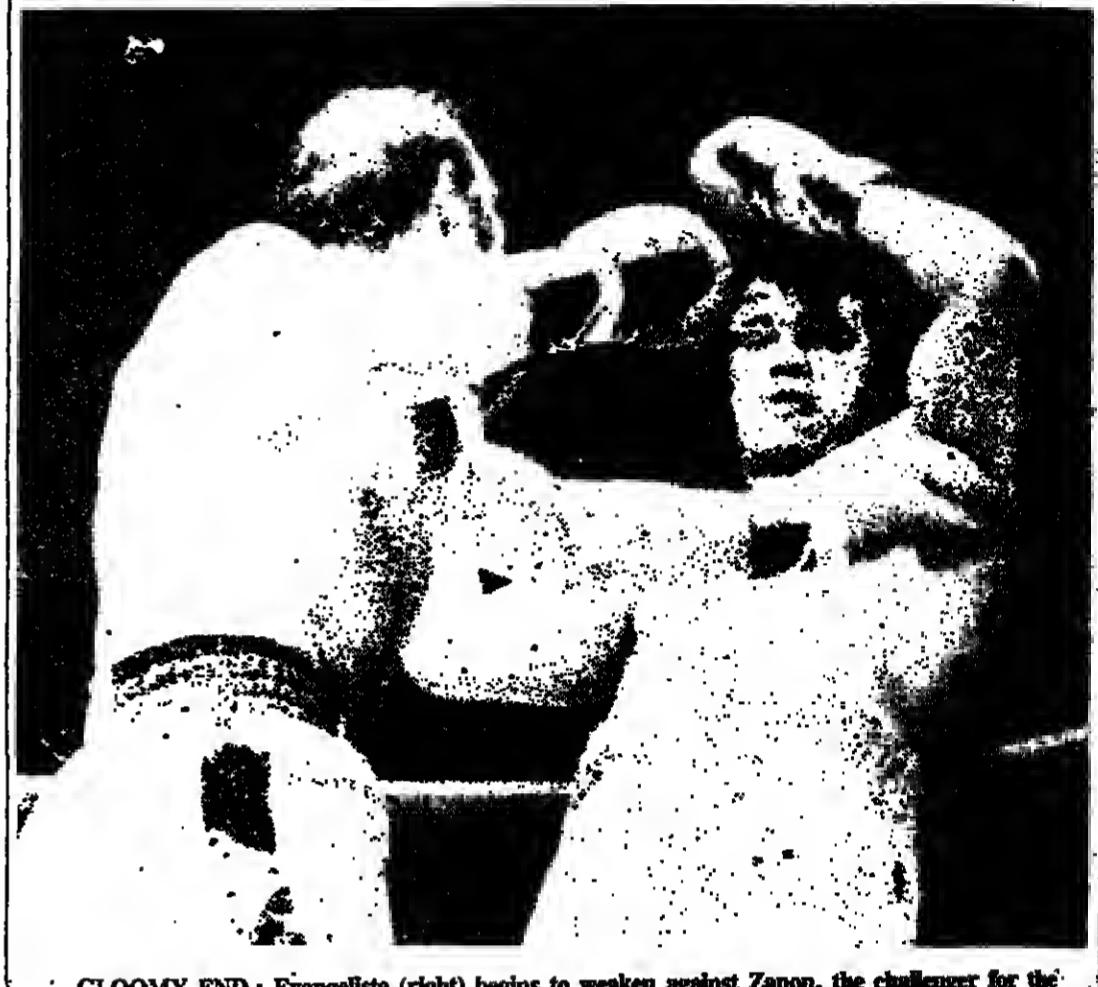
In Frankfurt, FC Kaiserslautern saw victory slip away in the 80th minute when Elsener scored the equalizer. Kaiserslautern held a two-point edge early in the contest after goals by Klaus Toppmuller in the 14th and Riedel in the 19th.

But Frankfurt's Grabowski put his team oo the scoreboard for the first time in the 27th, setting up a tie with Elsener's goal.

Some 35,000 fans turned out to watch in Frankfurt's wooded sports park.



BRIGHT BEGINNING: A right hook by Uruguayan-born Alfredo Evangelista (right) of Spain reaches Lorenzo Zanon of Italy in the early rounds of their bout last Wednesday. (AP photo)



GLOOMY END: Evangelista (right) begins to weaken against Zanon, the challenger for the European Heavyweight Title. Zanon later won on points, dethroning his younger opponent. (AP photo)

In golf's elite event

Watson maintains daunting lead

RANCHO LA COSTA, Calif., April 22 (AP) — Froot-Runner Tom Watson dropped a 6-foot putt on the 18th hole and, with a hard-woo round of 70, retained a 3-stroke lead Saturday in the third round of the \$300,000 Tournament of Champions.

Watson, the leader all the way in this exclusive event that brings together only the winners of Professional Golfers Association tournaments from the last 12 months, had a 54-hole total of 205, 11 strokes under par, oo the 6,889-yard La Costa Country Club course.

Jerry Pate scored eight birdies for the best round of the tournament and only one off the course record — to move into a tie for second.

He shared the No. 2 spot with Bruce Lietzke, who had a third-round 70 in the warm, sunny, windy weather.

The appeared to be the only men in the select field of 28 champions with any chance of catching Watson, who led by one at the end of the first round, and by 3 at the end of 36 holes.

It was 4 more shots back to Larry Nelson and Lee Trevino, tied at 212, 7 strokes behind Watson. Trevino matched par-72 in the third round and Nelson, who scored an eagle-3, shot 68.

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Phillies blank Mets to cling to 1st place

PHILADELPHIA, April 22 (AP) — Nino Espinosa and Tim McGraw combined on five-hitter as the Philadelphia Phillies blanked the New York Mets 3-0 Saturday night and moved into first place in the National League East.

Nino Espinosa, who was a Mets player defeated his teammates for the second time in a week.

The Phillies are one-half game ahead of Montreal.

In other Al action, Lee May hit a pair of two-run homers to lead the Baltimore Orioles to a 4-2 victory over Milwaukee. Jim Sundberg drove in four runs to back the six-inning pitching of Ferguson Jenkins as Texas defeated the New York Yankees 5-0. It was Jenkins' 45th career shutout.

In an afternoon contest, Boston's Fred Lynn extended his hitting streak to 10 games with his seventh homer. Jim Rice and Dwight Evans also homered, powering the Red Sox to a 10-4 victory over the Kansas City Royals.

Roy Smalley drove in three runs with a single and a homer as the Minnesota Twins edged Seattle 3-2. Left-hander Ross Baumgarten pitched four-hit ball for seven innings and the Chicago White Sox held on for a 6-5 victory over Cleveland.

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Pakistan hockey team wins brutal U.K. game

PERTH, April 22 (R) — World Cup Champions Pakistan virtually clinched a place in the semi-final of the world hockey tournament here when they beat Britain 5-3 in a Group B match Sunday.

With maximum points from two matches, they need only a draw in their remaining two games — against New Zealand and Kenya to enter the last four.

On current form, they should have no trouble although they were put under considerable pressure by Britain.

After taking the lead in the first minute, they had to stave off a strong fightback by Great Britain to win a fast and exciting match.

Right winger Kalimullah scored

the first goal off a penalty stroke just 50 seconds after the start.

But Britain, inspired by some superb goalkeeping by Ian Taylor, gradually crept into the game and sent the Pakistanis reeling in deep defense.

They forced two short corners and six long corners, but fullback Bob Cattrell and forward Terry Greg failed to capitalise on the chances.

Then Pakistan, who were the more dangerous when on the move, broke away to score their second goal in the 21st minute through Hassan Sardar.

Some 35,000 fans turned out to watch in Frankfurt's wooded sports park.

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Kentucky Derby hopeful gets boost at Aqueduct

NEW YORK, April 22 (AP) — Instrument Landing led all the way and won the \$142,750 Wood Memorial Horse Race Saturday, getting to the finish just a whisker ahead of fast-closing Screen King.

The official margin at the end of the 1 1/4-mile test at Aqueduct race track for 3-year-olds was a nose — and it was a small nose. Czarovich was third, a head back and a nose in front of Smarten.

It was a sweet homecoming for Instrument Landing, Pen-Y-Bryn Farm's Kentucky Derby candi-

date who winning for the first time since he scored in the Remsen at Aqueduct last Nov. 25. In his first three starts as a 3-year-old he had finished fifth in an allowance race, fifth in a handicap and seventh in the Santa Anita Derby, all at Santa Anita race track in California.

The victory couldn't have come at a better time for the colt as far as

plans for the Kentucky Derby are concerned, at Churchill Downs is just two weeks away.

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Labor Department estimate

U.S. seen with relatively few unemployed in study

WASHINGTON, April 22 (AP) — Britain, France and Canada all have higher unemployment rates than the United States, and the figure for Italy would also be higher if it included people who have not been looking for jobs lately, according to figures from the U.S. Department of Labor.

The U.S. Central Intelligence Agency estimates that the combined unemployment rate has about doubled over the past five years in Japan, West Germany, France, Britain and Canada.

The International Labor Office in Geneva says there are about 50 million unemployed altogether, most of them in the poorer countries of the world.

In March the proportion of jobless in the United States was down

to 5.7 per cent of the work force — about 6 million people. Canada had 7.9 per cent in February, and Britain and France 6 per cent each.

Italy reported 3.7 per cent, but the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics commented in a comparative listing of eight countries.

"Many persons reported that they had not actively sought work in the past 30 days, and they have been provisionally excluded for comparability with U.S. concepts. Inclusion of such persons would more than double the Italian rate shown."

After World War II unemployment tended to be lower in many countries than in the United States. It was widely believed that high unemployment would bring back memories of the great depression of the 1930s and lead to violence.

Japan and Sweden were shown on the Labor Department's list with unemployment of only 2.1 per cent in January, and West Germany with 3.2 per cent in February.

Methods of figuring unemployment differ from country to country. Some include among the jobless only those registered for social security benefits.

In the United States, unemployment surveys in Canada, Australia and Sweden require that a person be actively seeking a job to be listed as unemployed.

France, West Germany, Britain and Italy include job seekers even if they are "inactive," although most of them do question people on the subject as part of their surveys.

Career soldiers are not included in the labor force in the United States, Canada, Australia and Britain, but they are in other countries.

Specialists at the Bureau of Labor Statistics have come up with a system for adjusting the figures of other countries to the American definition of unemployment, which they say is close to the definition recommended by the International Labor Office.

Canadian unemployment was 7.1 per cent in 1976 according to both the U.S. and Canadian definitions. But West Germany's official 4.6 per cent was only 3.6 per cent by American standards, and Britain's 5.6 per cent became 6.4 per cent.

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U.S. - financed Soviet ammonia stifles rivals

ATLANTA, Ga. April 22 (AP) — A glut of imported ammonia from plants built in Russia with American and Western financing has caused at least 29 U.S. plants to be driven out of production, the Atlanta Journal-Constitution reported in Sunday editions.

Ammonia, made from natural gas, is used in production of the nitrogen component of fertilizer and has a variety of other industrial uses.

The newspaper said the closed



PLANTING: A British farmer demonstrates the latest technique for small-scale crop planting. Called fluid drilling, ready germinated seed is suspended in a special gel and poured into a tank, then a small portion is pumped into the ground each few inches, according to the type crop.

Windmills to provide power in California

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22 (AP) — A private firm plans to build 20 windmills in a gusty California valley, supplying enough power for 1,000 homes and saving 175,000 barrels of oil a year. A California official says it will be "the biggest wind energy project on the planet."

Edward Terhaar of the California State Department of Water Resources used that phrase to describe the \$75 million project, which is being undertaken by U.S. Windpower Inc. of Massachusetts.

The 20, three-bladed windmills will be erected at Pacheco Pass about 80 miles south of here, with each of the units generating a maximum of 50 kilowatts.

The windmills' blades whirl in a 50-foot circle on 150-foot-high towers. Each tower will hold three generators.

Once the windmills are in operation, the state will buy power from the company — at rates equivalent to those for power from other sources.

If successful, the company will put up several hundred more windmills at Pacheco on a state-owned site, and in other areas in California.

The project — subject to state environmental review — was announced during a meeting in San Francisco last week of the American Wind Energy Association.

Alvin Duskin, formerly a San Francisco garment manufacturer and now an executive vice president of the windmill firm, said winds whip through the Pacheco Pass at 16-20 miles per hour, making one of the most favorable locations in the state for the experiment.

"California seemed a likely place to start because of its longstanding support of solar power energy," Duskin said.

He said favorable tax regulations made wind energy an attractive investment and that the company has found nearly all of the necessary investors for funding the project.

Terhaar said the one megawatt of electricity generated by the 20 windmills would meet the needs of about 1,000 persons. He also said the windmills could save 175,000 barrels of oil a year.

The savings in use of oil, calculated at current world market prices, would be about \$2.5 million a year.

"Five years ago, it would not have been competitive to make power with windmills — it's only because the cost of oil has gone up so much that it is now," said Norman Moore, president of the windmill company. "It will take into the 1990s before enough windmills are up to make impact on our use of oil, but the sooner we get started the sooner we get there."

Under the agreement between windpower and the state's department of water resources, the state has agreed to buy 2.5 million kilowatt-hours of electricity between June 1, 1981, and April 1, 1983.

Market Comment : Tokyo losing investment luster

LONDON, April 22 — One of the brightest stars in the firmament of world financial centers for at least the past decade, Tokyo, has fallen from grace this year. Since peaking in January, the Japanese stock exchange has fallen away sharply seriously, underperforming capital international's world stock market index and the yen has lost ground substantially against both the dollar and sterling. Does this mark the end of an era or is it only a temporary reversal?

The present pattern bears a strong resemblance to the period after the 1973 oil price hikes. Japan is particularly exposed to this kind of external shock by its lack of indigenous fuel resources. The disruption to Iranian oil supplies also affected Japan particularly badly, as in 1977 it had drawn over 15 per cent of its crude from that source.

Japan recovered from the 1973/74 shock, better than many other countries and should do so again but this time the adjustment may be more painful and prolonged.

Japan's problem is this: Its economy is ideally suited to the rapid growth of world trade that characterised the post-war era. High investment, financed by a very high level of savings (typically 15 per cent of personal income) kept the major industries up with the best of international competition. An undervalued exchange rate, ensured rapid export growth, providing the profits and employment to finance investment and keep the workforce secure and contented.

But the world environment has changed markedly and Japan is not so well suited to the new economic conditions. The days

when other western countries would allow the yen to remain undervalued are gone for good and the "new Japan's" — countries like Korea and Brazil — are undercutting the original model in price competitiveness and salesmanship in the staple industries of steel, cars and shipbuilding upon which the Japanese economy is based.

So export orders would be harder to come by anyway but the position is worsened by the trend change in world trade since 1973. Now world trade is growing at less than half the rate was typical in the 50s and 60s. So export growth which was the driving force behind the economy has been severely weakened and the high propensity of individuals to save rather than spend their income is an obstacle to growth not a virtue any longer.

Until the adjustment to the

changed circumstances is completed the outlook for the yen and for shares in Japanese companies cannot be bright. In the short term, of course, some of the concern about the yen seems overdone. Certainly, Japan is facing a painfully sharp, if temporary, surge of inflation. But Japan is facing much the same conditions as the U.S. and Germany, for example. The recent moves to tighten credit should bolster the yen in the end after all the inflation rate is still well below the world average.

So, it would be a mistake for the international investor in Japan to abandon all hope but it is clear that over the next few years the Tokyo market is not going to be the outstanding performer of the past. Better opportunities could well be available elsewhere.

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Businessmen complaining of Canton Fair shortages

CANTON, April 22 (R) — Unusually large numbers of foreign traders are packing up early and leaving the spring edition of China's twice-yearly Canton Trade Fair, complaining of high prices and shortages of many important items.

Such complaints are aired every time China's main shopwindow for the world gets under way. But this time, with one week of the two week event still to run, negative attitudes seemed more widely shared.

There was also disenchantment

over facilities, particularly a lack of accommodation.

A bigger than usual number of traders came to the fair and their arrival last weekend coincided with tens of thousands of Chinese visitors from Hong Kong taking advantage of the Easter holiday weekend in the British colony less than 130 kilometers from this south China city.

"There just was not enough room," fair spokesman Lu Lihong said. "We didn't foresee that we had to receive so many guests at the beginning."

Saudi Arabian Government Tenders

Authority	Description	No of Tender	Price SR	Closing Date
Ministry of Information	Constructing of a fence from pipes and barbed wire around the ministry's office in Araraf	6-98/99	20	May 5
Ministry of Education	Securing of educational aids and photographic equipment for technical education	1	20	May 12
Armed Forces Medical Services	Washing and ironing of linens for 79/80	12	100	May 12
King Faisal Air Academy	Constructing of side runways at Al-Bayad airport	11	2000	April 22
Municipality of Jeddah	Constructing of taxi stands Jeddah/Mecca, Medina	5	100	May 12
Municipality of Bekaiah	Fencing of graveyards		150	April 28
Department of Water and Sewage, Eastern Province	Supply of mobile air compressors	13-98/99	150	May 22
Ministry of the Interior, Dept. of Public Security	Supply of furniture and office equipment for Public Security	7-99/1400	400	April 24

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UAE oil seen lasting 45 years

ABU DHABI, April 22 (R) — The United Arab Emirates' (UAE) proven oil reserves are sufficient to last 45 years at the current production level of less than two million barrels a day, the official Emirates news agency WAM said. The agency, quoting an official report, said total oil income this year was estimated at \$ 9.5 billion after the recent price increases. The report by the UAE monetary council said the UAE's financial aid to developing countries had risen from \$ 1 billion in 1975 to \$ 1.25 billion in 1977, representing 11 per cent of the gross national product.

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Iran cancels Concorde options

TEHRAN, April 22 (R) — Iran has formally cancelled options to buy two Anglo-French supersonic Concorde airliners for the national airline, Iran Air, the state radio reported Saturday. It said the 200,000 pound advance paid to the manufacturers when the options were taken out in 1972 would be returned to Iran in the next few days. Iran Air had said in February that plans to buy the Concorde were being reviewed by the country's new revolutionary government. British Aerospace, makers of the plane in Britain, had said then that an Iranian decision to cancel the Concorde option would not come as a surprise.

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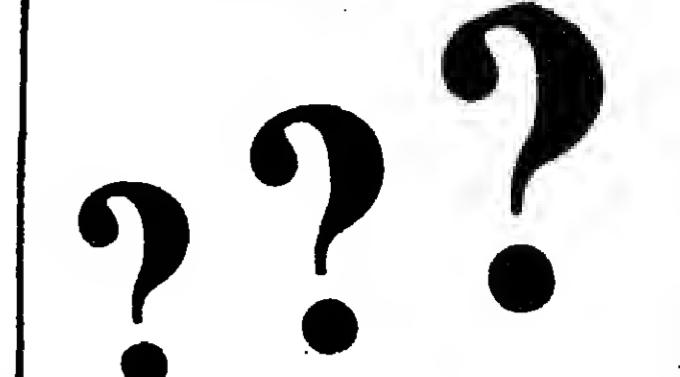
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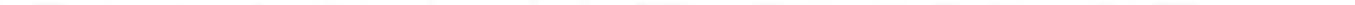
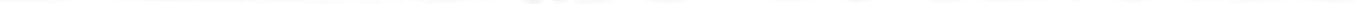
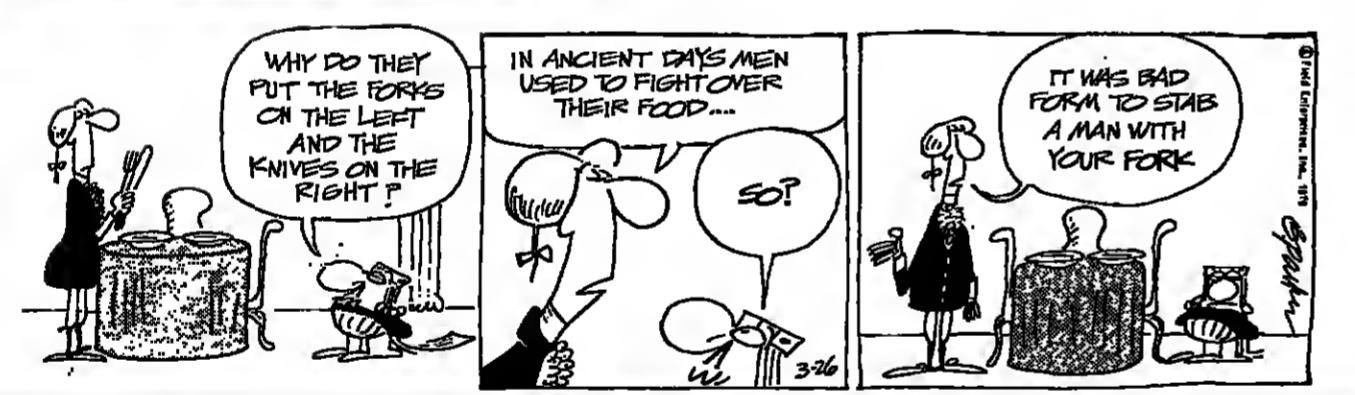
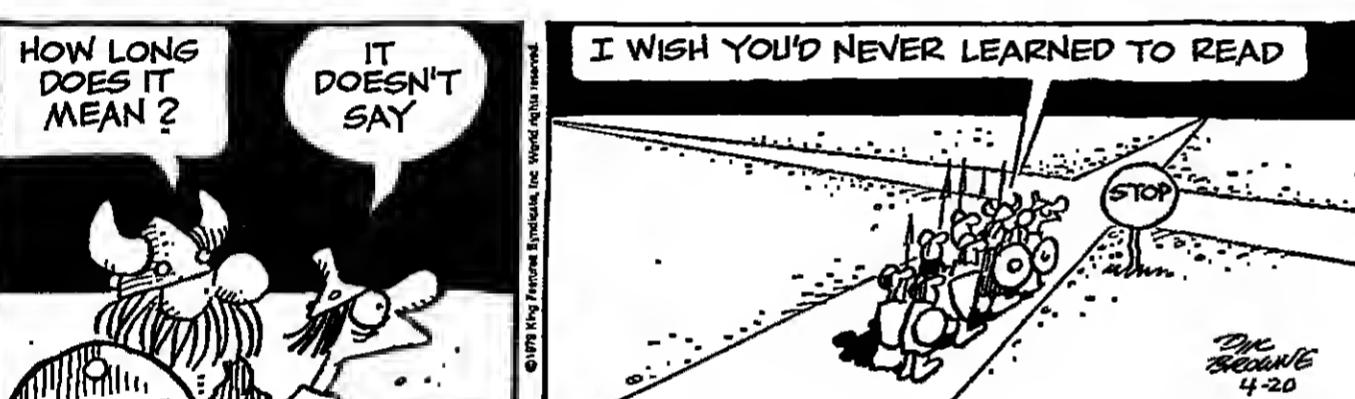
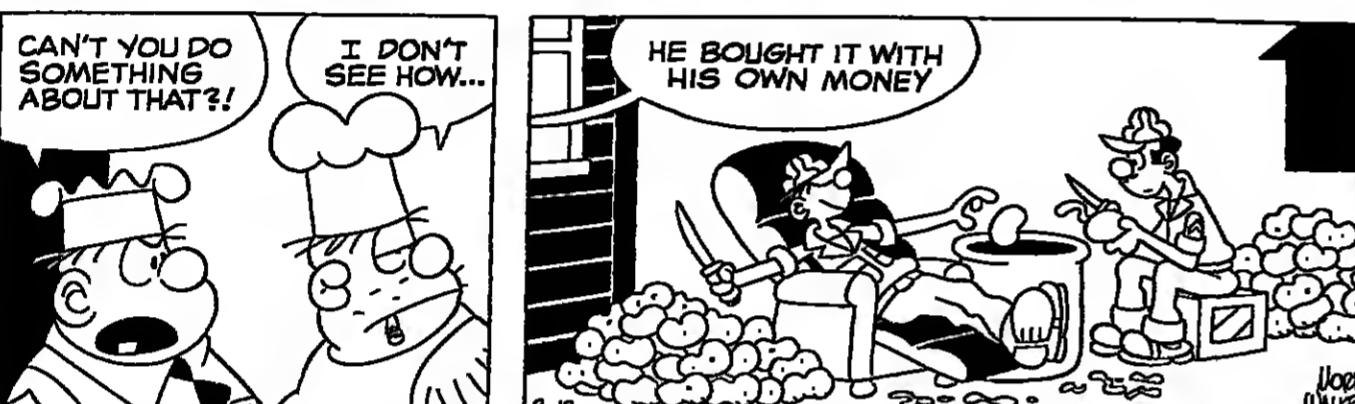
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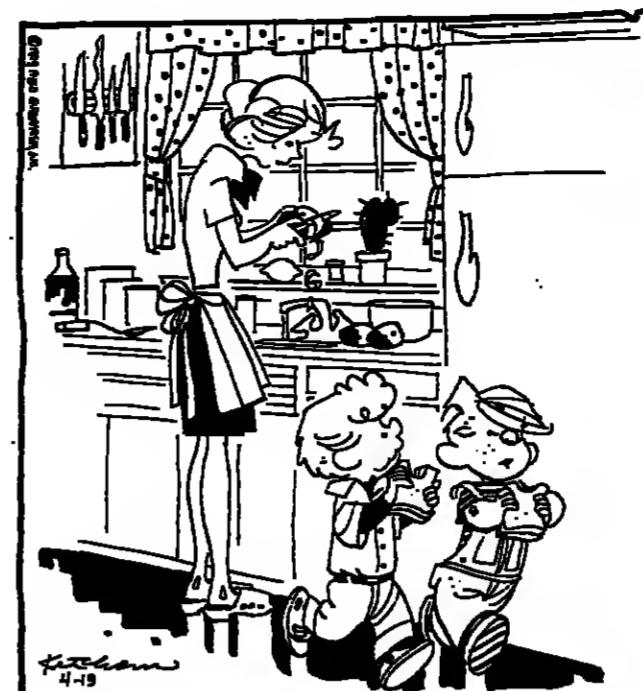
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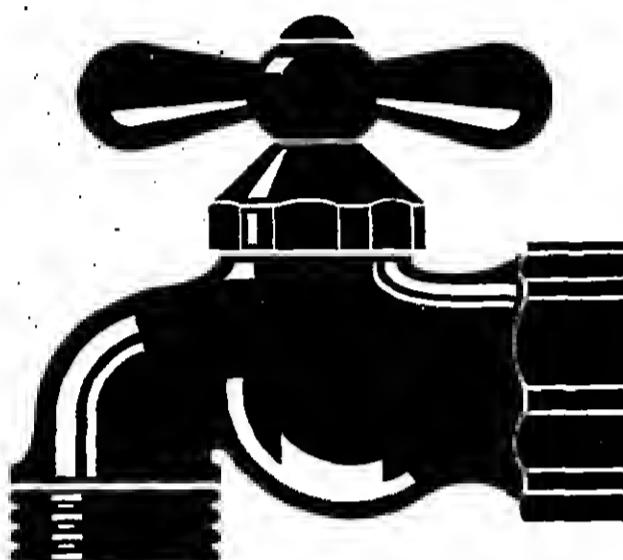
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Mobbed by cheering crowds

Tanzanians occupy key Uganda city

JINJA, Uganda, April 22 (R) — Tanzanian troops marched into Jinja Sunday to secure Uganda's source of electrical power.

They were mobbed by dancing crowds waving flowers and shouting "We are free, we are free."

The final push began at dawn. The only resistance was from a group of soldiers of fugitive President Idi Amin's army who held up the tank-led Tanzanian column for a time at the entrance to the huge Owen Falls Dam, source of all Uganda's electricity and a fifth of neighboring Kenya's.

The pro-Amin troops were quickly driven off. They fled across the half mile-long road which crosses the Nile atop the dam.

After capturing Jinja, its dam, power station and factories, the

Tanzanian Army has just one important strategic objective to gain — control of 100 miles of road from Jinja to the Kenya border.

After capturing the city, the Tanzanians learned there had been few of President Amin's troops there and all had fled into the bus or towards Kenya Sunday morning.

Local people discounted the stories, carried to Kampala by refugees last week, that the fugitive dictators had been in Jinja and had tried to organize a stubborn, last-ditch defense of the city.

The suburbs and main streets of Jinja looked deserted as the tangled Tanzanian column pushed into the city center.

But the people soon emerged.

Thousands of men, women and

children shook hands with the Tanzanian troops and danced in the streets throwing flowers and branches at their feet.

Within minutes, civilians started looting shops which they said belonged to Nubians from Field Marshal Amin's native north-west corner of Uganda.

Elections

On Saturday the people of Kampala went to the polls to elect district leaders in the first elections held in their country since it gained its independence 17 years ago.

Kampala's district elections were held eight days after the government took office following the capital's capture by Tanzanians and exile Ugandans.

Paulo Muwango, internal

affairs minister, described them as a "temporary measure to help maintain law and order around Kampala and to reassure the people in restoring the rule of law."

"These are the first elections one would call free since independence on Oct. 9, 1962," said Frank Sabiti, a bank clerk who helped organize the balloting in the northern area around Mulago Hospital.

The last elections were held in Uganda in April, 1962, when the country became independent and elected the government.

Sabiti's elections were held on a soccer field. Each candidate gave a short speech and stood aside. When all four had finished, Mulago residents voted by lining up behind their candidate.

The winner was Isaac Mugembe, a 41-year-old trader and father of six who was mobbed by well-wishers. Women began singing and one spectator beat a drum. "I suffered under the Amin regime," Mugembe said. "He killed my three brothers."

Mugembe was charged with robbing out Amin supporters in his district, maintaining order and protecting residents from arbitrary behavior by police, soldiers and officials of the new government.

Foreign spectators were greeted by wild handclapping, whistling and cheering by a crowd of several thousand.

At the re-opened British High Commission, the Union Jack was raised over the building for the first time in three years when the British government broke off relations with Uganda.

American diplomats, whose country closed its embassy six years ago but did not cut diplomatic relations, were due in Kampala Monday to discuss foreign aid and other topics.



SEARCHING THE FILES: Residents of Kampala look through the files recently of Amin's security service in search of information on relatives and friends. The State Research Bureau was found littered with secret files. (AP photo)

'Observer' sees 20% lead

Tories tipped to win in Britain

LONDON, April 22 (AP) — The Conservative Party will win the May 3 general election in Britain, three opinion polls forecast Sunday, but predictions of the Tory margin of victory over Labor varied widely.

The long-established Gallup Poll in the "Sunday Telegraph" said the Tories are ahead by 12 per cent in 100 "marginal" seats in England which are now split 43 Labor and 57 Conservative. It predicted that the Tories will win the lot and take 20 more in Eng-

land. These gains, and others from the Liberal and Scottish National parties, would result in a majority of 60, the poll forecast.

The Tory lead of 20 per cent in "The Observer" poll is the largest ever recorded between the parties at this stage of an election campaign, since opinion surveys began in Britain 40 years ago.

The newspaper confessed that the difference between its poll and Gallup "is hard to explain." It thought the difference might be attributed to the choice of constituencies or to variations in statistical method.

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Later Sunday night Israeli gunboats unleashed a heavy bombardment against Palestinian fighters on Lebanon's northern coast, the Israeli military command reported.

An army spokesman said the naval bombardment began at 5:30 p.m. (1530 GMT) — apparently in retaliation for the raid on Nahariya.

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Ayatollah Taleghani, one of the country's top three spiritual leaders, went into hiding for several days last week, but he later stressed that he backed the leadership of Khomeini.

In Naghadeh, fighting was reported raging Sunday morning for the third successive day.

The army divisional commander in the provincial capital of Drusiyeh (formerly Rezaiyeh) described the situation shortly before the ceasefire deadline as "very dangerous, very tense."

He said the Kurds were dug in behind barricades, in houses and on rooftops in the south of the small border town. They had used artillery seized from the large Mabahid Barracks, 30 kilometers south of Naghadeh, after last February's revolution.

The government reported that about 600 troops had arrived at the edge of town, but held back from going in when it became evident the warring forces had heavy weapons.

The government said the cease-

fire agreement was reached after religious leaders and government representatives headed by West Azerbaijan province governor general Muhammad Mehdji Abasi met with leaders of the warring sides.

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Plutonium source seen key issue in Silkwood case

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., April 22 (AP) — The issue in the Karen Silkwood case is how plutonium got into her apartment, and Kerr-McGee Corp. lawyers are finding that courtroom decisions have made it harder to make a case that the company was not at fault, a defense attorney says.

With four to six weeks of testimony left in the \$11.3-million negligence suit, the defense is satisfied with the progress of the trial, said Chief Counsel Bill Paul.

"There are still a lot of witnesses to testify and a lot of evidence to get in, but when we're through we feel the evidence will be very persuasive," he said Saturday.

The Silkwood estate is suing Kerr-McGee in connection with the plutonium contamination of Miss Silkwood and her Edmond, Oklahoma, apartment shortly before her death in a 1974 auto accident.

Miss Silkwood worked as a lab technician at a Kerr-McGee plutonium plant, and was active in union efforts to improve safety conditions.

The estate's lawyers have presented a case that focused on alleged laxity in the handling of plutonium at the plant. Eight Kerr-McGee witnesses have testified so far.

"The key issue in the case in the beginning, now, and when all the evidence is in is how did the plutonium get into the apartment," Paul said.

U.S. District Judge Frank

Their last week refused to allow a Nuclear Regulatory Commission investigator to testify about his conclusions on how the plutonium got to her apartment.

If the judge had allowed him to testify, the inspector said, he would have said he believed Miss Silkwood stole plutonium from the plant and accidentally spilled it in her apartment.



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